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THE
FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE
TRAINING PROGRAMME
1977

Programa de Entrenamiento de las
Fuerzas de Defensa de las
Islas Falkland.

1977.

AIM

1. To improve the military knowledge and skills of the FIDF.

GENERAL

2. The spirit of FIDF training this year will be to avoid re-teaching basics to men who are competent in particular skills from previous years. Where revision is necessary, though, it will be carried out. The attached Annexes give the framework for training; maximum effort will be made by my training staff to keep the interest value and progressiveness of FIDF training as high as possible. A further thrust will be to have FIDF members training alongside my Marines whenever possible.

J N WILLOUGHBY
Major RM
OCRM

Distribution

EXTERNAL

His Excellency the Governor and Commander in Chief of the Falkland Islands
Commanding Officer, Falkland Islands Defence Force
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Platoon Weapons Instructor	Sgt J I HADAWAY RM
Signals Instructor	Sgt W RENDELL RM
First Aid Instructor	LMA M HAZELL RN

INTRODUCTION

This programme has been produced taking into consideration several factors:

a. The varying standard of the military skills of the members of the FIDF.

b. All members of the FIDF should be able to take part in all training regardless of standard.

c. The limited recources of the FIDF.

d. The availability of equipment and training areas.

e. The availability of qualified instructors.

f. The assistance which can be given by NP8901.

g. The training should be enjoyable and progressive.

h. The Officers and NCO's should assist with training where possible to develop their leadership and instructional technique.

i. The possibility of bad weather during the training period.

j. That not all members of FIDF attend every parade.

This programme has the approval of the Officer Commanding Naval Party 8901 Royal Marines and the Commanding Officer, Falkland Islands Defence Force.

TRAINING PERIODS

ONE	Thursday 5 May 77	2 hours	2000 - 2200
	Thursday 12 May 77	2 hours	2000 - 2200
	Thursday 19 May 77	2 hours	2000 - 2200
	Friday 27 May 77	3½hours	1345 - 1700
TWO	Thursday 2 June 77	2 hours	2000 - 2200
	Thursday 9 June 77	2 hours	2000 - 2200
	Thursday 16 June 77	2 hours	2000 - 2200
	Friday 24 June 77	3½hours	1345 - 1700
THREE	Thursday 30 June 77	2 hours	2000 - 2200
	Thursday 7 July 77	2 hours	2000 - 2200
	Thursday 14 July 77	2 hours	2000 - 2200
	Friday 22 July 77	3½hours	1345 - 1700
FOUR	Thursday 28 July 77	2 hours	2000 - 2200
	Thursday 4 August 77	2 hours	2000 - 2200
	Thursday 11 August 77	2 hours	2000 - 2200
	Friday 19 August 77	3½hours	1345 - 1700

FIVE	Thursday 25 August 77	2 hours	2000 - 2200
	Thursday 1 September 77	2 hours	2000 - 2200
	Friday 2 September 77	4 Days Exercise	
	Monday 5 September 77		

DRESS AND EQUIPMENT

TRAINING DRESS

BERET
SHIRT
JERSEY
COMBAT TROUSERS
BOOTS & PUTTEES
NOTEBOOK & PENCIL

WEAPON TRAINING DRESS

AS FOR TRAINING RIG PLUS
BELT
AMMO POUCHES
MAGAZINES
SLR
BAYONET
RIFLE SLING

EXERCISE DRESS

BERET
SHIRT
JERSEY
COMBAT SUIT
BOOTS & PUTTEES
C.E.M.O. Containing:-
DRY CLOTHING
RATIONS
CAPE
SPARE AMMUNITION (WHEN ISSUED)
SLR
MAGAZINES
RIFLE SLING

PATROL DRESS

BERET
SHIRT
JERSEY
COMBAT SUIT
BOOTS & PUTTEES
SLR SLING SWIVELS TIED DOWN
RIFLE SLING ROUND WAIST
OTHER EQUIP AS ISSUED
MAGAZINES

ABBREVIATIONS

FIDF: FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE
LEC: LECTURE
DEMO: DEMONSTRATION
MAINT: MAINTENANCE
SLR: SELF LOADING RIFLE
S.B.: SMALL BORE
POSNS: POSITIONS
LF: LIVE FIRING
PWI: PLATOON WEAPONS INSTRUCTOR
TRG: TRAINING
TPT: TRANSPORT
CEMO: COMPLETE EQUIPMENT MARCHING ORDER
EQUIP: EQUIPMENT
WPN: WEAPON
IRC: INFLATABLE RAIDING CRAFT
REV: REVISION
APP: APPLICATION
PTLS: PATROLS
OP: OBSERVATION POST
APWT: ANNUAL PERSONAL WEAPON TEST
DS: DIRECTING STAFF
JD JUDGING DISTANCE
FCO: FIRE CONTROL ORDERS

REFERENCES & BLOCK SYLLABUS

	LEC	PRAC	REF
WPN TRG			
WPN SAFETY	2		
SLR PRAC 1		1	Pamphlet No 7
SLR PRAC 2		1	Pamphlet No 7
SLR PRAC 3		1	Pamphlet No 7
SLR LES 9	1		Pamphlet No 7
84mm MAW REVISION		1	Pamphlet No 9 (III)
SMG REVISION		1	Pamphlet No 4
GPMG REVISION		1	Pamphlet No 17 (I)
GPMG (SF) REVISION		1	Pamphlet No 17 (II)
WPN TRG COMPETITION		1	
THE THEORY OF SMALL ARMS FIRE	1		Pamphlet No 2
GPMG SF FIRE POWER DEMO		1	
TACTICS			
PATROL FORMATIONS	1		Pamphlet No 45 (II)
AIMS AND TYPES OF PTLS	1		Pamphlet No 45 (II)
CONDUCT OF PTLS	1		Pamphlet No 45 (II)
PTL HARBOURS	1		Pamphlet No 45 (II)
PTL ORDERS	1	1	Pamphlet No 45 (II)
PRACTICAL PATROLS		2	
SEC BATTLE DRILLS	1	4	Pamphlet No 45 (II)
FIRE AND MANOEUVRE	1	2	Pamphlet No 45 (II)
O.Ps.	1		
FIELD CRAFT			
ELEMENTRY NIGHT MOVEMENT	1	1	Pamphlet No 2
INTRODUCTION TO NIGHT WORK	1		Pamphlet No 2
KEEPING DIRECTION BY NIGHT	1		Pamphlet No 2
OBSERVATION BY NIGHT	2		Pamphlet No 2
REACTION TO UNEXPECTED LIGHTS		1	Pamphlet No 2
CAM AND CONCEAL		1	
J.D.		1	
FCOs.		1	
SIGNALS			
VOICE PROCEDURE	2	2	
BOATWORK			
GEMINI DRILLS	1	1	
BEACH ASSAULT		2	
SHOOTING			
S.B.1 GROUPING PRONE POSITION		1	Pamphlet No 7
S.B.2 GROUPING OTHER POSITIONS		1	Pamphlet No 7
S.B.3 SNAP SHOOTING		1	Pamphlet No 7
S.B. COMPETITION		1	
LF 4/5 SLR GROUPING AND ZEROING 25m		3	Pamphlet No 7
LF 6 SLR GROUPING AND ZEROING 100m		2	Pamphlet No 7
LF 8/10 APPLICATION OF FIRE		2	Pamphlet No 7
APWT		3	Shoot to Kill

	LEC	PRAC	REF
FIRST AID			
FIRST AID REVISION	1		
UNARMED COMBAT			
REVISION		1	
SPORT			
TOUCH RUGBY		1	
5 A SIDE FOOTBALL		1	

TRAINING PERIOD ONE - THURSDAY 5 MAY 77 - FRIDAY 27 MAY 77

DATE	SERIAL	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT	RESPONSIBLE	DRESS	REMARKS
Thur 5 May	1	2000	FIDF HALL	PARADE	DS	TRG DRESS	
	2	2010	FIDF HALL	LEC/DEMO: WPN SAFETY	DS	TRG DRESS	
	3	2040	FIDF HALL	FILM: IT COULD BE YOU	DS	TRG DRESS	
	4	2110	FIDF HALL	SLR: PRACTICE ONE	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	5	2140	FIDF HALL	LEC/DEMO ELEMENTRY NIGHT MOV	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	to include reaction to lights
Thur 12 May	6	2000	FIDF HALL	PARADE	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	7	2010	FIDF HALL	SLR: PRACTICE TWO	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	8	2040	FIDF HALL	LEC: THEORY OF SMALL ARMS FIRE	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	9	2110	FIDF HALL	S.B.1 GROUPING	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	background activity 84mm revision
Thur 19 May	10	2000	FIDF HALL	PARADE	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	11	2010	FIDF HALL	SLR: PRACTICE THREE	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	12	2040	FIDF HALL	LEC: ALTERING SIGHTS & AIMING OFF FOR WIND	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	13	2110	FIDF HALL	S.B.2 GROUPING FROM OTHER POSNS	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	background activity GPMG revision
Fri 27 May	14	1345	FIDF HALL	PARADE AND DRAW STORES	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	15	1400	TPT	MOVE TO MOODY BROOK	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	16	1430	25m RANGE	SLR: LF GROUPING AND ZEROING	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	17	1600	TPT	MOVE TO FIDF HALL	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	18	1630	FODF HALL	CLEAN AND RETURN STORES	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	background activity IRC drills/FOCs revision

TRAINING PERIOD TWO - THURSDAY 2 JUNE - FRIDAY 24 JUNE 77

DATE	SERIAL	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT	RESPONSIBLE	DRESS	REMARKS
Thu 2 June	19	2000	FIDF HALL	PARADE	DS	TRG DRESS	
	20	2010	FIDF HALL	LEC: INTRO TO NIGHT WORK	DS	TRG DRESS	
	21	2050	FIDF HALL	LEC: VOICE PROCEDURE	SI	TRG DRESS	
	22	2130	FIDF HALL	UNARMED COMBAT REVISION	DS	TRG DRESS	
Thu 9 June	23	2000	FIDF HALL	PARADE	DS	TRG DRESS	
	24	2010	FIDF HALL	LEC: KEEPING DIRECTION BY NIGHT	DS	TRG DRESS	
	25	2030	TPT	MOVE TO SAPPERS HILL	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	26	2045	SAPPERS HILL	PRAC: REACTION TO UNEXPECTED LIGHTS	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	27	2145	TPT	MOVE TO FIDF HALL	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
Thu 16 June	28	2000	FIDF HALL	PARADE	DS	COMBAT SUITS	capes to be carried
	29	2010	TPT	MOVE TO SAPPERS HILL	DS	COMBAT SUITS	
	30	2030	SAPPERS HILL	LEC/DEMO OBSERVATION BY NIGHT	DS	COMBAT SUITS	
	31	2145	TPT	MOVE TO FIDF HALL	DS	COMBAT SUITS	
Fri 24 June	32	1345	FIDF HALL	PARADE	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	capes to be carried
	33	1400	TPT	MOVE TO SAPPERS HILL	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	34	1415	SAPPERS HILL	LF SLR 100m GROUPING AND ZEROING	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	background activity revise Cam & Concealment/JD/Section formations
	35	1515	SAPPERS HILL	LF SLR APP OF FIRE	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	36	1615	TPT	MOVE TO FIDF HALL	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	37	1630	FIDF HALL	CLEAN AND RETURN STORES	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	

TRAINING PERIOD THREE - THURSDAY 30 JUNE - FRIDAY 22 JULY 77

DATE	SERIAL	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT	RESPONSIBLE	DRESS	REMARKS
Thu 30 June	38	2000	FIDF HALL	PARADE	DS	TRG DRESS	
	39	2010	FIDF HALL	PTLS: REVISE - AIM AND TYPES CONDUCT PTL HARBOURS	DS	TRG DRESS	
	40	2100	FIDF HALL	LEC: OP's	DS	TRG DRESS	
	41	2130	FIDF HALL	FIRST AID	LMA	TRG DRESS	
Thu 7 July	42	2000	FIDF HALL	PARADE	DS	TRG DRESS	
	43	2010	FIDF HALL	MAP READING REVISION	DS	TRG DRESS	
	44	2100	FIDF HALL	GPMG (SF) REVISION	DS	TRG DRESS	
Thu 14 July	45	2000	FIDF HALL	PARADE	DS	TRG DRESS	
	46	2010	FIDF HALL	LEC: TACTICS SECTION BATTLE DRILLS	DS	TRG DRESS	
	47	2100	FIDF HALL	LEC: FIRE MANOEUVER	DS	TRG DRESS	
	48	2145	FIDF HALL	BRIEFING FOR FRI 22 JULY 77	DS	TRG DRESS	
Fri 22 July	49	1345	FIDF HALL	PARADE AND DRAW STORES	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	50	1400	HARBOUR	MOVE TO MOODY BROOK BY IRC	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	51	1415	MOODY BROOK	BEACH ASSAULT	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	52	1445	MOODY BROOK	SECTION TACTICS	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	53	1615	ROUTE	MOVE TO FIDF HALL	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	54	1630	FIDF HALL	CLEAN AND RETURN STORES	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	

TRAINING PERIOD FOUR - THURSDAY 28 JULY - FRIDAY 19 AUGUST 77

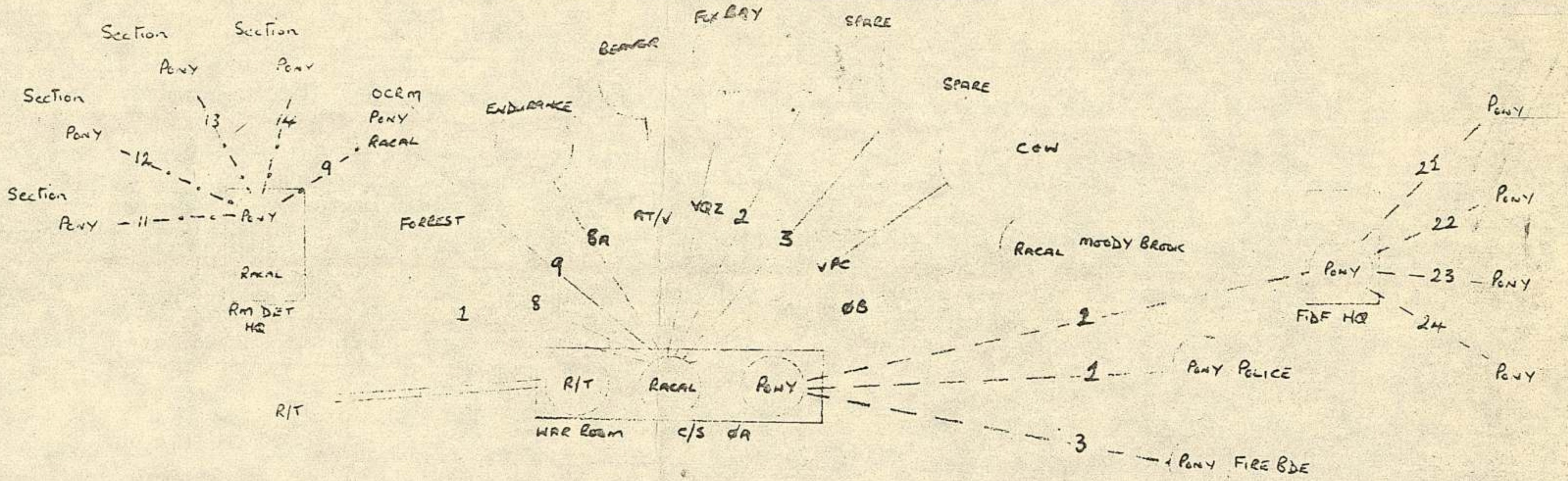
DATE	SERIAL	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT	RESPONSIBLE	DRESS	REMARKS
Thu 28 July	55	2000	FIDF HALL	PARADE	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	background activity SMG revision
	56	2010	FIDF HALL	S.B.3 SNAP SHOOTING	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	57	2100	FIDF HALL	ORDERS FOR NIGHT FIGHTING PTL (Thurs 4 Aug 77)	DS	TRG DRESS	
Thu 4 Aug	58	2000	FIDF HALL	PARADE	DS	PTL DRESS	
	59	2010	MOODY BROOK	NIGHT FIGHTING PTL (AMBUSH)	DS	PTL DRESS	
	60	2130	FIDF HALL	CLEAN AND RETURN STORES	DS	PTL DRESS	
Thu 11 Aug	61	2000	FIDF HALL	PARADE	DS	TRG DRESS	
	62	2010	FIDF HALL	SIGNALS REVISION	SI	TRG DRESS	
	63	2030	STANLEY AREA	SIGNALS EXERCISE	SI	TRG DRESS	
Fri 19 Aug	64	1330	FIDF HALL	PARADE AND DRAW STORES	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	65	1400	SAPPERS HILL	A.P.W.T.	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	66	1600	SAPPERS HILL	FIRE POWER DEMO	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	
	67	1630	FIDF HALL	CLEAN AND RETURN STORES	DS	WPN TRG DRESS	

TRAINING PERIOD FIVE - THURSDAY 25 AUGUST - MONDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 77

DATE	SERIAL	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT	RESPONSIBLE	DRESS	REMARKS
Thu 25 Aug	68 69	2000 2010	FIDF HALL FIDF HALL	PARADE INTER-SECTION COMPETITION a) WEAPON TRG COMP b) S.B. SHOOTING COMP c) SPORT 5 A SIDE TOUCH RUGBY	DS DS	TRG DRESS TRG DRESS	All to carry plymsoles /soft shoes & have WPN TRG ORDER READY
Thu 1 Sep	70 71 72	2000 2010 2130	FIDF HALL FIDF HALL FIDF HALL	PARADE ORDERS AND BRIEFING FOR EXERCISE ISSUE STORES	DS DS DS	TRG DRESS TRG DRESS TRG DRESS	
Fri 2 Sep to Mon 5 Sep	73			FINAL EXERCISE	DS	EXERCISE DRESS	Instructions for this serial will be issued as a separate programme

ANNEX A

DEFENCE NET RADIO DIAGRAM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Fox Bay
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NOTES. -

1 Frequencies

a. Pony Channel 1 - - - - -

b. Pony Channel 2 -.-.-.

c Defence frequency 3185 KHZ ———

d. R/T 4500KHz ═══

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SECRET

FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE.

as from: F.I.D.F., H.Q.,
Stanley.
4th January, 1977

The Honourable,
The Chief Secretary,
Secretariat,
STANLEY.

Dear Sir,

FIDF Equipment

Your confidential note of the 23rd December, 1977, and enclosed copy of MOD telegram refers.

I discussed the issue to some length with the Adjutant and the two Junior Officers on the 30th December, and we are frustrated by the heavy costs which have arisen throughout the period of our efforts to up-date the FIDF with purely basic equipment. The cost of the weapons alone almost doubled the amount of the original estimate for total requirements i.e. weapons, clothing and webbing equipment. And renovated weapons at that!

In the telegram under reference MOD have obviously done all that is possible to cut direct costs involved and I am exceedingly grateful for their consideration in this respect but the overall amount is still exceedingly high when compared with my original advice on prices in mid 1975. Thus,reluctantly,we are obliged to extensively reduce requirements to our more immediate needs. The remainder we will need to acquire over a more extended period particularly as the number on the Active Roll increases to make the Force even more useful and efficient from the greater encouragement that increased numbers would offer to those concerned with the general training programme.

We have revised our requirements for the present as follows and I would be most grateful if you would arrange the necessary financial provision:-

40	Canteen Sets	59.60
40	Belts	84.40
40	Pouches Right	137.20
40	Pouches Left	123.20
30	Ponchos	247.50
30	Smocks	880.20
30	Trousers	
C.A's Procurement Charges est.		200.00
Freight est.		50.00
		£1782.10

Smocks and trousers form a waterproof suit for training and Range work. Ponchos are also used as a waterproof ground sheet. They also take the place of a Great Coat which we no longer issue because of the costs involved, in fact no overcoat of any type is obtained for general issue.

The Adjutant advises that SFC did not have to vote additional funds on the 28th November, 1976, for Defence Equipment. The amount of £1077 was made up from savings on the overall Military vote and requirements were cut back accordingly.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

c.c. Adjutant, FIDF.

Lieut. Co
Staff Officer, Commanding Officer.Fl

SECRET

Stanley

16th February 1977

DEFENCE INSTRUCTIONS

I attach a new Defence Net Radio Diagram made necessary by the new frequency to replace 3023.5 KHZ which is reserved for Search and Rescue by the International Aeronautics Union.

2. The new frequency is to become operational on 1st March 1977.

3. Please acknowledge receipt on the attached slip.

R C Morrison

for Chief Secretary

I acknowledge receipt of copy No. 10 of the Defence Net Radio Diagram dated 1 February 1977 and have destroyed by burning on .... the original diagram.

NAVAL PARTY 8901
BFPO SHIPS

RM/FALK/7

His Excellency the Governor
and Commander in Chief of the Falkland Islands

30th March 1977

FALKLAND ISLAND DEFENCE FORCE - ANNUAL REPORT 1976

1. Introduction. The aim of this report is to summarise the training in 1976 and highlight the main issues. The report includes comments on the Settlement Volunteers.

2. Falkland Islands Defence Force.

a. Manpower. The average regular attendance on Thursday nights from May to July was 20. During this period morale and enthusiasm was comparable to that of TA units in UK, however there was a noticeable decline in attendance in August.

b. Training Programme. Regular training was organised every Thursday evening from May to August and recruit training was well organised by Second Lieutenant B FORD FIDF on Tuesday evenings during the period May - July. Live firing also took place at Sappers Hill Range on most Saturdays. A two day exercise was held in September followed by a practice deployment of the FIDF in accordance with the Defence Instructions. The performance on the exercise was encouraging and a number of important lessons were learnt from the practice deployment. In January 1977 four members of the FIDF took part in a combined RM/FIDF patrol from Port Howard to Fox Bay via the Hornby Range.

c. Comments.

(1) 11 new recruits attended the first parade in May and it was hoped that the increased numbers would be sustained throughout the training season. This did not happen and the gradual drop in attendance appears to reflect the pattern of previous years. It is thought that added financial inducement may help to reverse this pattern and it is suggested that the present bounty of £15 is increased to a suitable sum to enable members of the FIDF to be paid on the basis of the number of parades they attend each year. An additional sum should also be paid to those who attend the annual camp.

(2) The acquisition of the 50 SLRs and 6 GPMGs have been most welcome additions to the FIDF armoury. The Force now requires modern combat clothing (particularly waterproofs) and webbing.

(3) The Force possesses no communications equipment at all. Financial approval has been given to purchase six Pony transceivers and these should be obtained as soon as possible. It is also recommended that a direct telephone line is installed from the FIDF Drill Hall to the Conference Room in the Secretariat.

3. Settlement Volunteers.

a. Manpower. 33 volunteers completed one week's military training in the winter at six different settlements. Unfortunately transport problems prevented the training planned to be held at Hill Cove and Port San Carlos.

b. Training Programme. An RM team visited the various settlements for a week and concentrated instruction on SLR and GPMG live firing, patrols, OPs and movement by night.

c. Comments.

(1) The instruction was well received and the volunteers reacted enthusiastically. The introduction of the Inter - Settlement Shooting Competition was a success and should be continued.

(2) A number of weapons held at some of the settlements were in a poor state as a result of neglect. It is recommended that all Settlement Volunteer weapons should be inspected by a qualified armourer once a year.

(3) Settlement managers were most cooperative and this has helped to make the Volunteer training a success. Although the Settlement Volunteer training is of limited military value it does enhance the collective spirit of the Falkland Islands because the Volunteers develop a sense of service to the Colony as a result of the training. This is a valuable aspect of Volunteer training which would be worth emphasising in future.

R A Hooper

R A HOOPER
Major RM
Officer Commanding

Copy to:

Commanding Officer Falkland Islands Defence Force

BRIEF FOR MAJOR THE HONOURABLE R V GOSS OBE ED

1. Collins Report. A full report will be made to the next Executive Council meeting, when the present CO of the Royal Marines has been able to make a detailed assessment of the aims, organization, personalities, methods and effectiveness of the FIDF and Volunteers. He does, however, agree with much in the report, but considers some of the recommendations to be unsound or impracticable in the light of environmental and financial strictures.

2. FIDF

a. The RM continue to train the FIDF in Stanley and a high attendance rate has been maintained of 18 average out of 22 members eg 80 %.+ This compares most favourably with the 50 % average in a normal UK TA Unit.

b. The training has included and will include those subjects which could be applicable to a foreseeable act of aggression against the Colony and have been:

Patrolling, fighting, recce and ambush
Vehicle ambushes
First Aid
Weapon Training
Night Movement
Defence of Vulnerable Points
Road Blocks

c. The archaic weapons (No 4) and equipment owned by the FIDF is a continual source of humour and it is fortunate that the RMs have been able to loan spare SLRs to the force for training purposes.

d. Morale and interest remains high in the ranks of the FIDF and this has been helped by the announcement of Sgt B Fords attachment to CTCRM for Marine Command Training.

e. No doubt there will be an even greater interest in the FIDF after the opening of their newly decorated Club House.

3. The Volunteers

a. Training of volunteers has or will have soon taken place in nine settlements. The standards of shooting have been high and the enthusiasm and interest has been heart warming to instructors. It is also considered that a nucleas of men with some military training is always useful as a deterrent to any would be aggressor, however remote the threat and would certainly be a valuable framework on which to build in time of real danger. Salvador, Teal Inlet, Port San Carlos, Pebble, Port Howard, Fox Bay East, Weddell, Goose Green.

b. It has been noticeable how some farm managers do not encourage any interest in Volunteer Training amongst their employees and in some cases actively discourage it. The major farms which show absolutely no interest and this is generally a reflection of the Managers wishes - (North Arm, Roy & Hill Cove, Chartres, Port Stevens and Fox Bay West). The managers concerned would be surprised how much their employees would enjoy the break from farm work and ~~whom~~ a chance to contribute to the security of the Colony.

c. The emphasis of the training has been on the defensive military

skills because this is believed to be a realistic view of their likely role.

4. The weapons have been redistributed on a centralized basis and have gone to those farm settlements that have shown interest in Volunteer Training or which are known to be capable of proper maintenance, care and security.

SHB Cook.
S H B COOK
Major RM

NP 8901
Naval Party 8901
BFPO Ships
London

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25th July 1978

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES - AMENDMENT No 1

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Major RM
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Naval Party 8901
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RM/FALK/7

His Excellency the Governor
and Commander in Chief of the
Falkland Islands
Government House

10 December 1975

FALKLAND ISLAND DEFENCE FORCE - ANNUAL REPORT 1975

References:

A. RM/FALK/7 dated 18 November 1974.
B. Conversation HEGFI/OCRM of 26 November 1975.

1. The annual report on the Falkland Island Defence Force for the year 1975 is at Annex A. The report includes the Settlement Volunteers.

Rowland

J V ROWLAND
Major RM
Officer Commanding

Copy to

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RM Poole
Falkland Island Defence Force (2)

ANNEX A TO
RM/FALK/7
DATED 10 DECEMBER 1975

FALKLAND ISLAND DEFENCE FORCE - ANNUAL REPORT 1975

1. Introduction The object of this report is not to describe to Falkland Island Defence Force (FIDF) and the Settlement Volunteers (SVol) but to summarise their training in 1975 and headline the main issues.

2. Falkland Island Defence Force

a. Manpower The average regular attendance has been 18 although there are 30 on the books. Morale is high and the effort and enthusiasim have been very satisfactory.

b. Training Programme

Feb - Mar	Each Sat am live firing on the Range.
April	First camp week at Johnsons Harbour.
May - Sep	Thursday night regular training.
May - Aug	Tuesday recruit training.
Jul - Nov	Junior Command and Platoon weapons course (result see Appx 1).
September	Second camp week at Johnsons Harbour.
January	Third camp week(to be finalised).

c. Recommendations

(1) The Force desperately needs modern weapons, webbing equipment and clothing. The most important being 50 SLRs and 6 GPMGs.

(2) The size of the Force has remained constant although fewer recruits than was hoped have joined this year. Although money in itself is not a motivation, it is recommended that the small payment of £10 per year to each man should be increased to a minimum of £25.

(3) As a result of the joint Command and Platoon weapons Course it is recommended that Sergeant B Morrison be sent to England for a Junior Command Course at Commando Training Centre Royal Marines Lympstone. It is also recommended that Corporal V Steen is considered for advanced training in the future.

(4) It is recommended that a concerted effort be made by the FIDF and the Government to stimulate recruiting for the 1976 season.

3. Settlement Volunteers (See note A)

a. Manpower Fifty one of the Ninety two registered volunteers were given a weeks refresher training this year. One or two Settlement managers discouraged their men from attending and in some cases refused to make facilities available. By far the larger proportion of Managers gave generous assistance and in general the training was completed successfully.

b. Training Programme Eight Settlements each had in turn an RM team visit for a week to train local and neighbouring volunteers. The syllabus was largely confined to individual weapon and field training drills although in a few cases section tactics were covered.

c. General Policy Although the S Vol produce little tangible benefit militarily, it has undouted value and should be continued in the future. At present there is no need to consider more modern weapons or equipment.

Note A: RM/FALK/8 dated 28 October 1975. (Not to all)

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Falkland Islands Defence Force Training 1973 - 1974

The Royal Marines detachment continued to train the Falkland Islands Defence Force during the past year. Shortly before his departure from the Colony earlier this month, Captain D. J. H. Collins, R.M., submitted to His Excellency the Governor a report on the training programme carried out.

2. A copy of Captain Collins' report is attached hereto for information of Honourable Members.

Secretariat,
Stanley.

30th April 1974.

Ref: SEC/1/1 S

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Naval Party 8901
c/o BFPO SHIPS
LONDON

RM/FALK/7

His Excellency the Governor and Commander
-in-Chief Falkland Islands
Government House
Stanley

25 March 74

FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE TRAINING 1973 - 1974

1. Naval Party 8901 73/74 has continued to train the Falkland Islands Defence Force during the past 12 months both in Stanley and in the camp. This report gives an outline of training completed and an assessment of the force as an effective military unit.

General

2. The FIDF is a volunteer territorial force of an effective strength of two sections. It is trained to operate either as an independent unit or with sub-units of Naval Party 8901.

Strength

3. Although the FIDF has a total of 30 men on strength, the normal turnout is 12 to 15 ranks. The organisation using trained men, is as follows.

STAFF OFFICER
ADJUTANT
CSM
TROOP SERGEANT
~~RADIO OPERATOR~~ (RUNNER)

1 SECTION COMMANDER (GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES)
6 RIFLEMEN

2 SECTION COMMANDER (FIC & OTHER EMPLOYEES)
6 RIFLEMEN

Equipment, Arms and clothing

4. The basic side arm is the .303 SMLE and automatic fire is provided by the .303 Bren. There are a number of antiquated Lewis and Vickers machine guns and also pistols and vereys dischargers.

5. There are a number of modern "disrupted pattern" combat suits but all other webbing and clothing is outdated. Some members of the FIDF have acquired items of more modern equipment from NP 8901. A quantity of second hand Denison Smocks and pullovers was passed on to the FIDF from NP 8901 in March 1974.

Training

6. Official training is carried out between May and October every Thursday evening and a seven day field training period is held in February.

7. Members are paid a total bounty of £10 for the years training at the rate of £8 for the Thursday parades and £2 for the exercise.

8. This year training has continued from October to February on Thursdays, at two week intervals, and also at weekends. Subjects covered in training are listed at ANNEX 'A'. Lessons are invariably organised and run by the detachment Training Sergeant and a small training team.

//9. Ten.....

9. Ten 7.62 SLR's were lent to the FIDF on temporary loan during the year and individual weapon handling on this weapon is now reaching an acceptable standard. Sufficient weapons for use on each ceremonial parade have also been supplied.

Operational Efficiency

10. The 'hardcore' of 15 FIDF members who attend training regularly form a useful military unit which could have limited use in operations provided assistance in command and control was given by regulars from Naval Party 8901. The 50% of FIDF members who do not attend training could not be used on operations, and the only reason for their retention in the force is to provide extra ranks on ceremonial parades.

11. The efficiency of the Command element of the FIDF is low, but the force could possibly be used as an independent unit to man Vulnerable Points, to act as guides or to provide protection for Police patrols.

12. If the FIDF was brought under command of Naval Party 8901, it could be used in support of any operation, especially to reinforce cordons or in guard duties.

13. Fitness and general keeness in the force is of a high order and the unit showed a great deal of spirit during the field exercise.

Morale

14. Taking into consideration the indifferent leadership, poor equipment and arms and the low rates of pay, morale is high in the force. This morale could be destroyed easily if the methods used by the Training Sergeant of NP 8901 proved unpopular or unacceptable to the force. The present Training Sergeant, Sergeant EVANS, has gained the complete confidence of the FIDF and with other members of NP 8901 has given up a great deal of spare time to train the force.

Recommendations

15. It is recommended that the following measures are taken to improve the FIDF.

a. Equipment It is most important to clothe the force in a presentable manner so that members can be proud to appear in public. If new purchases were restricted to denims, puttees, boots, denison smocks and a modern fighting order, the cost would not be high but the benefit enormous.

b. Arms The loan of 7.62 SLR's from NP 8901 will continue at the discretion of the Officer Commanding. The ideal would be the purchase of a full stand of modern SLR's and GPMG's. This would be expensive but should be considered as a long-term project.

c. Pay The payment of £10 per annum is too low to attract recruits to the force. A more realistic bounty would be £1 per night attendance and £5 for the annual exercise. It should be noted that some force members give up leave to attend this camp.

d. Junior Leaders Two members of the FIDF should be allowed to attend a Junior Command Course in Britain. Places have already been allocated by the Commando Training Centre Royal Marines, for 1974. Approval from Falkland Islands Government is awaited.

e. Command On the retirement of the present incumbent, consideration should be given to replacing the Adjutant by a suitable young candidate from outside the force. The present 'time served' system of promotion does not encourage initiative or fitness in the command element.

//Conclusions

Conclusions

16. The operational use of the FIDF is limited, yet it provides an opportunity for young men to receive a useful training in leadership, military skills and other allied subjects and occasionally to be physically tested beyond their normal experience. The force is also a focus of some national pride when seen on ceremonial parades. In a community so limited in outlook and opportunity, a local territorial force is surely worth maintaining and improving.

(sgd.) D. J. H. Collins.
Captain Royal Marines
Officer Commanding

ANNEX 'A' to RM/FALK/7 dated 25 Mar 74

FIDF Training for period March 73 - March 74

Weapon Handling

A. Basic field handling stripping and assembling of the following weapons:

7.62 SLR (Self loading rifle)

7.62 GPMG (General purpose machine gun)

2 inch MORTAR

94 grenade ANTI TANK

36 grenade HAND

B. Familiarisation training has been given on the 84mm CARL GUSTAV ANTI tank weapon.

C. Instruction on demolition has been given to the extent where members are capable of setting up $\frac{1}{2}$ lb Plastic Explosive charges.

D. The following field craft and tactical training has been given:

Patrolling

Ambush

Map Reading

Radio procedure

Harbouring drills

Gemini Landings

Unarmed combat

1st Aid

E. There have been several practice call-outs during which FIDF members have manned vulnerable points and also operated as an independent unit.

FALKLAND ISLAND DEFENCE INSTRUCTIONS

INTRODUCTION

1. These instructions are effective as from the date of issue and supersede all previous defence orders which are to be returned to the Deputy Chief Secretary. The distribution is on a restricted 'Need to Know' basis. All addressees who do not receive a complete copy are to read pages 5 and 6 of the special copy held by the Chief Secretary during the periods ending 30 April, 31 August and 31 December and sign to that effect on the signature page provided.

2. When not in use these orders are to be locked in a safe. In the absence of the custodian from his office for any unusual period, the instructions are to be returned to the Deputy Chief Secretary for safe keeping. Under no circumstances are assistants to the addressees to be given access without the approval of the Chief Secretary.

3. An efficient response to any emergency depends on each person knowing in advance his responsibilities and being able therefore to react quickly. Addressees are required to study their role in the Defence Organisation and periodic exercises will be held in order to ensure these instructions are well tried and tested.

N A I French
Governor and
Commander in Chief

21 November 1975

RECORD OF AMENDMENTS

Amendment No	Date of Insertion	Signature of Person amending

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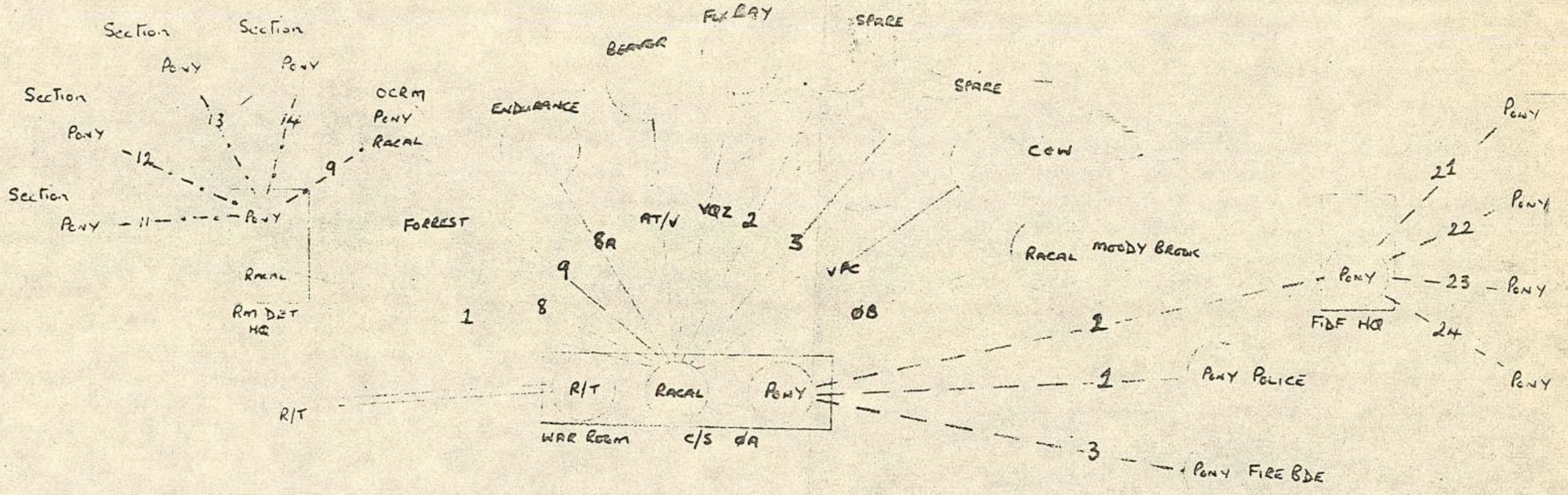
DEFENCE NET RADIO DIAGRAM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NOTES. -

1 Frequencies

a. Pony Channel 1 – – – – –

b. Pony Channel 2 –.–.–.

c Defence frequency 3185 KHZ ———

d R T 4500 KHz ———

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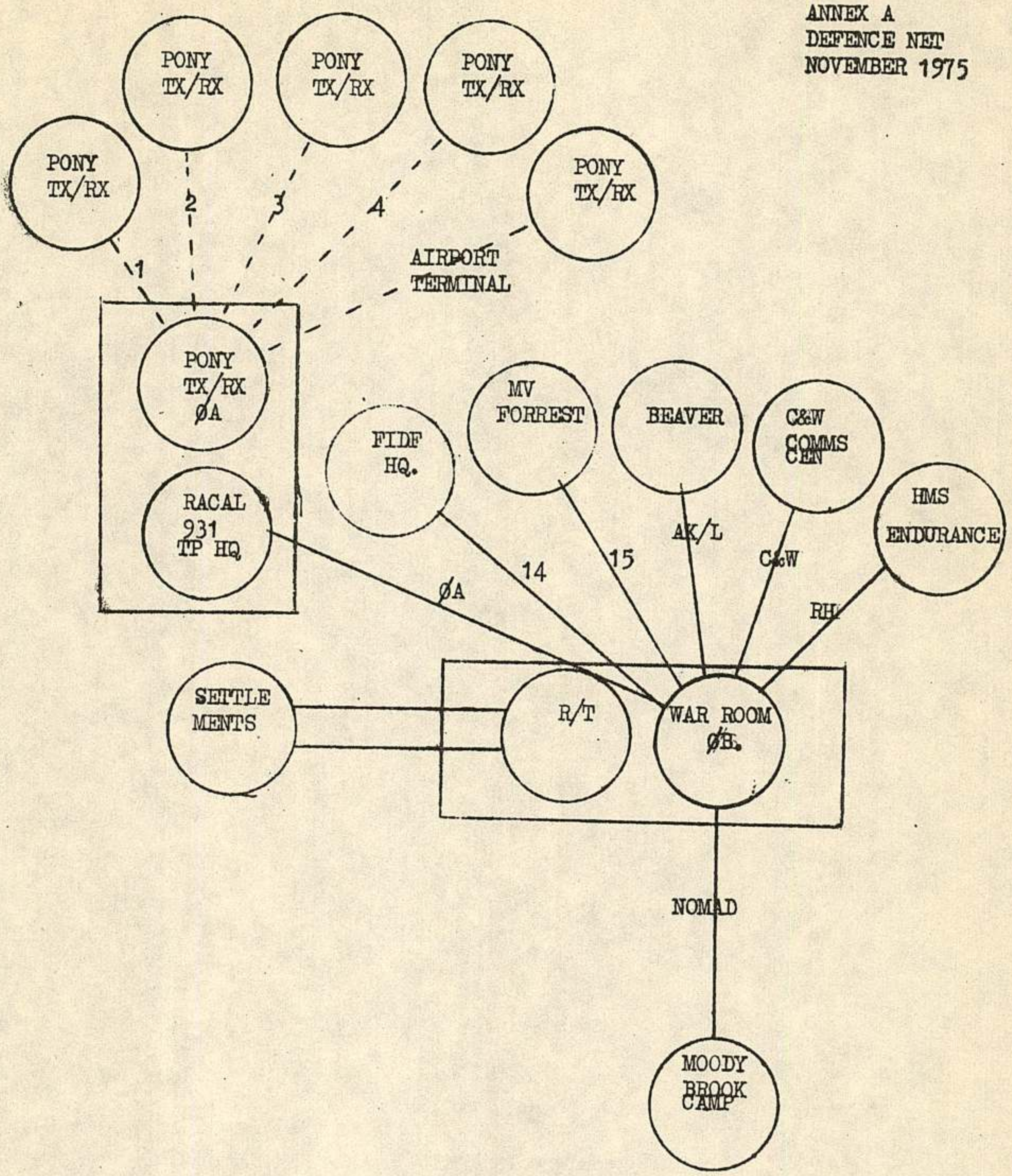
ANNEX A
DEFENCE NET
NOVEMBER 1975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FIDF HQ.
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BEAVER
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AK/L
C&W
RH
SETTLE MENTS
R/T
WAR ROOM 0B.
NOMAD
MOODY BROOK CAMP

Notes.

1. Frequencies:
   - a. - - - - - - Channel 1 .
   - b. ———— Defence Frequency 3023.5 KHZ.
   - c. ════ R/T 4.5 MHZ.
2. Whenever possible, the normal telephone service should be used as a backup to radio.
3. Walkie-Talki sets to be provided by FIG(4) and NP 8901(6).

ANNEX B
HI-JACK
NOVEMBER 1975

INSTRUCTIONS FOR A HI-JACK OPERATION

1. A guerrilla hi-jack operation may take one of the following forms:

   a. Purely Symbolic Landing
   b. Audience Required with HE
   c. Hostage Action
   d. Major Guerrilla Action.

2. Where negotiation is possible the Falkland Island representatives will be as follows:

   a. The Chief Secretary
   b. A Senior Police Official
   c. The Head of LADE.

A SNCO of NP8901 in plain clothes will travel with the party and be responsible for reporting back by radio to the War Room. He will be armed with a rifle and a revolver however he is only to open fire in self defence or in an attempt to save the lives of the representative party.

3. If the incident is within the confines of the airfield the Detachment will initially man an observation line half a mile from the airstrip and remain out of sight. A road block is to be in position by the Nissen Hut. No armed guerrillas are to pass the observation line or road block. If the situation becomes actively hostile the Detachment is to be prepared to cordon the airfield and physically prevent guerrilla movement towards Stanley.

ANNEX D
FIDF
NOVEMBER 1975

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE

1. On receipt of the emergency signal, all members are to report immediately to the Falkland Islands Defence Force Hall. This includes members who are also in the fire brigade.

2. The first officer or Senior NCO to arrive at the Hall is to make a report to the War Room by telephone. Periodic reports on the state of readiness of the FIDF are to be made to the War Room as the sections form up.

3. On arrival at the Hall all members of the FIDF are to change into uniform, draw weapons and ammunition and fall in by sections for briefing.

4. The Defence Committee or Officer Commanding NP 8901 may require the FIDF to carry out the following tasks:

a. Establish road blocks in conjunction with the Police
b. Guard vulnerable points
c. Assist in quelling civil disturbance
d. Operate either as a full troop or by sections in the field with Naval Party 8901.

Vulnerable and Key Points

5. The FIDF may be directed to man the following Vulnerable and Key Points.

6. The deployment plan for these points is as follows:

a. 1 Section to guard:

VPC Transmitting Station
FIC Complex
YPF Tank Farm
Additional task to lay road block.

b. 2 Section to guard:

Camp RT Station	2
Broadcasting Studio FIDF Hall	4
Telephone Exchange	2

c. 3 Section to guard:

Secretariat	2
Government House, Cable & Wireless	3
Power Station	3

d. HQ

FIDF Hall.

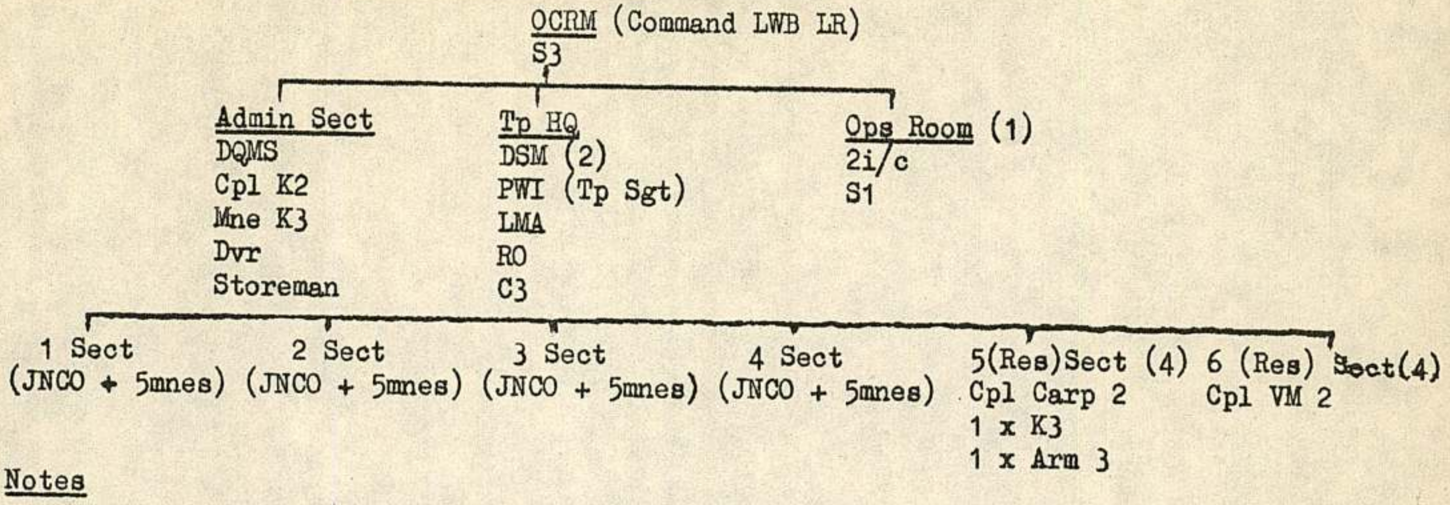
7. **Key Points** Key points are listed as follows:

a. Government House
b. VPC Transmitting Station
c. FIC Complex
d. YPF Tank Farm (if HE so directs and this will depend on the nature of the threat).
e. Broadcasting Studio
f. Telephone Exchange
g. Secretariat
h. Cable & Wireless Communication Centre (near Gov House)
j. FIDF Hall

8. **Vulnerable Points** Vulnerable Points are listed as follows:

a. FIGAS Hangar
b. Power Station
c. Waterworks
d. PWD Compound
e. Camber Fuel Depot.

NP8901 OPERATIONAL ORGANISATION



- OCRM (Command LWB LR)
  S3
  - Admin Sect
    - DQMS
    - Cpl K2
    - Mne K3
    - Dvr
    - Storeman
  - Tp HQ
    - DSM (2)
    - PWI (Tp Sgt)
    - LMA
    - RO
    - C3
  - Ops Room (1)
    - 2i/c
    - S1
  - 1 Sect (JNCO + 5mnes)
  - 2 Sect (JNCO + 5mnes)
  - 3 Sect (JNCO + 5mnes)
  - 4 Sect (JNCO + 5mnes)
  - 5(Res)Sect (4)
    - Cpl Carp 2
    - 1 x K3
    - 1 x Arm 3
  - 6 (Res) Sect(4)
    - Cpl VM 2

Notes

(1) When Ops room staff move fwd to GH/Secretariat War room, Moody Brook Ops room to be manned by Admin Sect.

(2) DSM likely to move fwd early to FIDF Hall.

(3) Vehicle tasking. Command LWB LR permanently allocated to OCRM. 1 x 4ton, 2 x LWB LR and 4 x M/C tasked by 2i/c.

(4) Res sects. Strengths to be filled by available FIDF pers.

BATTLE PROCEDURE

STATES OF READINESS

1. State GREEN (normal).

a. 75% of NP8901 in Stanley area, remainder to camp ptls, SVT, local leave at camp settlements.

b. Ops room manned 24hrs per day by one Mne from the duty sect. Day to day ops controlled by S1 (S3/PWI in his absence).

c. Normal shore leave. Key personnal whereabouts on Ops room state board.

d. Vehs, tasking system normal.

2. State AMBER (on order).

a. Leave, SVT and camp ptl personnel recalled.

b. Restricted shore leave:

(1) All personnel leave whereabouts in Ops room; ½hr availability.

(2) One officer and duty SNCO remain on board.

c. Duty SNCO stands by to initiate recall system from Ops room (see SOP 6).

d. All vehs tasked by Ops room. All vehicles prepared for camp ops (SOP 12). Minimum allowable fuel state ¾ full.

e. All depts report eqpt servicability states to OCRM. Full time effort devoted to any outstanding repairs to operational eqpt.

3. State RED (on order).

a. No shore leave.

b. Essential admin and liaison trips only.

c. Stand by to initiate battle procedure (below) immediately.

STAGES OF BATTLE PROCEDURE

4. Stage 1. Emergency declared for RM Detachment on order of HE the Governor. This may precede the declaration of a civil emergency and the call out of the FIDF and SVT, or it may be independant of a total emergency (e.g. SAR).

5. Stage 2. OCRM's Wng O This will be actioned by the 2i/c and will include some or all of the following:

- a. Probable tasks.
- b. No move before time or degree of notice or both.
- c. Place and time of O Gp, or time for radio orders. Composition of O Gp.
- d. Preliminary move.
- e. Preliminary admin preparations.

6. Stage 3. Concurrently the following actions will take place:

a. OCRM. With R Gp (S3, Racal, Command LWB LR plus any other pers reqd; e.g. Sect Comds).

- (1) Recce.
- (2) Consult with HE the Governor to:
  - (i) Estb action to be taken.
  - (ii) Decide whether or when control of Ops is to be moved fwd to War Room/GH.
  - (iii) Decide whether or when FIDF and/or SVT to be activated.
- (3) (If relevant) liaise with FIDF, police, Master MV Forrest, FIGAS.

b. Under control of 2i/c in Ops room:

(1) The detachment comes to immediate readiness using the detailed procedure in SOP 5, then relaxes to the degree of notice given in the Wng O.

(2) PWI issues maps and prepares Wardroom for 'O' Gp, unless otherwise ordered in Wng O.

(3) S1 prepares Comd & Sigs para of OCRM's orders and checks ops box. Operationsl signal log commenced.

(4) DQMS makes admin arrangements ordered in Wng O, prepares 2nd line ammo and rats, and prepares to implement logistic support in the longer term (SOP 9).

(5) 2i/c updates all Ops room boards and estb immediate telephone/radio contact with:

a. MV Forrest.

b. FIGAS.

c. MV Monsunen.

(6) 2i/c initiates master battle log.

(7) 2i/c prepares Admin and Logs para of OCRM's orders.

(8) DSM stands by to estb fwd assy point at FIDF hall on OCRM's order.

7. Stage 4. 'O' Gp assembles in Wardroom for OCRM's verbal orders.

The composition will be:

a. 2i/c.

b. All SNCOs.

c. All JNCOs.

d. Superintendant of police (if relevant).

e. Director FIGAS (if relevant).

f. Master MV Forrest (if relevant).

g. Master MV Monsunen (if relevant).

h. Comd, Adjt, Pl Comd FIDF (if relevant).

8. Stage 5. Section/dept orders issued.

9. Stage 6.

a. Deployment as ordered.

b. Fwd assy at FIDF hall if ordered.

c. Mov fwd op control to War room/GH if ordered i.a.w. SOP 8.

STANDARD FIELD EQUIPMENT - INDIVIDUAL

1. CLOTHING

Shirt
Denim trousers
Boots
Puttees/Hose tops
Windproof jacket
Beret

2. EQUIPMENT

a. CEFO containing:-

1 x Cleaning box
1 x Water bottle & mug
1 x Millbank bag
1 x Water Sterilising kit
1 x Set of messtins
1 x 24hr ration pack
1 x Hexamine cooker
1 x Holdall complete
1 x Pair of socks
1 x Waterproof jacket (19lbs)

b. BERGAN RUCKSACK containing:-

1 x Pair of denims)
1 x Shirt)
1 x Set of underwear) In waterproof bag
2 x Pairs of socks)
1 x Jersey)
1 x Pair of soft shoes)
1 x Poncho
1 x Pair of waterproof trousers
1 x 24hr ration pack
1 x Hexamine refill
1 x Petrol cooker
1 x Sleeping bag
1 x Sleeping mat (36lbs)

c. Notes

a. When rucksacks and CEFO are worn together rear pouches are to be secured to the rucksack.

3. WEAPONS & AMMUNITION

a. Rifleman

(i) Weapon:-
1 x SLR
4 x Magazines
1 x Bayonet

(ii) Ammunition:-

140 x 7.62mm Ball
50 x 7.62mm Link Ball Tracer
1 x Pack of 16mm Mini-flares (25lbs)

b. Gunners

(i) Weapon:-

1 x GPMG

(ii) Ammunition:-

400 x 7.62mm Link Ball Tracer (48lbs)

c. 84mm No1 (3 Section)

(i) Weapon:-

1 x 84mm MAW
1 x SLR
4 x Magazines
1 x Bayonet

(ii) Ammunition:-

4 x 84mm H.E.A.T. Rounds
140 x 7.62mm Ball (80lbs)

STANDARD FIELD EQUIPMENT - HQ & SECTIONS

HQ

1. OCRMs GROUP

    a. OCRM

    (1) Weapons

    1 x SLR
    4 x Magazines
    1 x Bayonet
    1 x 9mm Pistol
    3 x Pistol Magazines

    (2) Ammunition

    140 x 7.62mm Ball
    50 x 9mm Ball

    (3) Equipment

    Bergen & CEFO as in SOP 3

    b. S3

    (1) Weapon

    As for rifleman in SOP 3

    (2) Ammunition

    140 x 7.62mm Ball

    (3) Equipment

    Bergen & CEFO as in SOP 3
    1 x RACAL radio
    2 x RACAL batteries
    1 x Hand generator
    1 x Hand generator stand

    c. Additional Equipment

    1 x 1" Pistol
    9 x 1" Flares (3 illum, 3 red, 3 green)
    3 x 83 Grenades (1 red, 1 blue)
    2 x 1.5" Rocket P.I.

2. TROOP HQ

a. DSM

(1) Weapons

1 x SLR
4 x Magazines
1 x Bayonet
1 x 1" Pistol

(2) Ammunition

140 x 7.62mm Ball
9 x 1" Flares (3 red, 3 green, 3 illum)
3 x 83 Grenades (1 red, 2 blue)
2 x 1.5 Rockets P.I.

(3) Equipment

Bergen & CEFO as in SOP 3

b. PWI

(1) Weapons

1 x SLR
4 x Magazines
1 x Bayonet
1 x 9mm Pistol
3 x Pistol Magazines

(2) Ammunition

140 x 7.62mm Ball
50 x 9mm Ball

c. LMA

(1) Weapon

As for rifleman in SOP 3

(2) Ammunition

140 x 7.62mm Ball

(3) Equipment

Bergen & CEFO as in SOP 3
First aid kit

d. RO

(1) Weapon & Ammunition as in SOP 3

(2) Equipment

Bergen & CEFO as in SOP 3
1 x RACAL radio
2 x RACAL batteries
1 x Hand generator
1 x Hand generator stand

e. C3

(1) Weapon, ammunition and equipment as for rifleman in SOP 3

(2) 2" Light mortar may be carried if required (see Optional Equipment)

3. ADMIN SECTION

a. DQMS

(1) Weapons

1 x SLR
4 x Magazines
1 x Bayonet
1 x 1" Pistol

(2) Ammunition

140 x 7.62mm Ball
9 x 1" Flares (3 red, 3 green, 3 illum)
3 x 83 Grenades (1 red, 2 blue)
2 x 1.5" Rocket P.I.

(3) Equipment

Bergen & CEFO as in SOP 3

b. Remainder Weapons, ammunition & equipment as for rifleman in SOP 3

4. 2i/c's GROUP

   a. 2i/c Weapons, ammunition & equipment as for OCRM (1a)

   b. S3 Weapons, ammunition & equipment as for PWI (2b)

5. SECTIONS

   a. Weapons, ammunition & equipment as for rifleman & gunners

   b. Radio equipment as for RO (2d)

OPTIONAL & ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT

This equipment may be used depending on the tactical situation and length of time of operations.

6. Second Line Ammunition

   a. Rifle Sections

      (1) 600 x 7.62mm Ball (44 lbs)
      (2) 800 x 7.62mm Link Ball Tracer (56lbs)
      (3) Grenades and flares as required

   b. Troop HQ

      (1) 700 x 7.62mm Ball (50lbs)
      (2) Grenades and flares as required

   c. 84mm Team (3 Section)

      (1) 8 x 84mm HEAT rounds (46lbs)
      (2) This ammunition is not airdropable

   d. Admin Section

      (1) 900 x 7.62mm Ball (68lbs)
      (2) 800 x 7.62mm Link Ball Tracer if required (56lbs)
      (3) Grenades and flares if required

7. a. GPMG (SF)

      (1) 1 x GPMG (SF) kit complete
      (2) 5000 x 7.62mm Link Ball Tracer (336lbs)

8. a. 2" Light Mortat

      (1) 1 x 2" Light Mortar
      (2) 18 x 2" mortar bombs (mixed) (41lbs)

9. Section Patrol Equipment & Ammunition

a. Equipment

2 x 3 man tents
1 x Medical pack
2 x Containers of petrol
1 x Compass
1 x Protractor
1 x Binos
1 x 1" Pistol
Maps as required (45lbs)

b. Ammunition

3 x 83 Grenades (1 red, 2 blue)
2 x 1.5" Rockets P.I.
9 x 1" flares (3 red, 3 green, 3 illum) (7lbs)

10. PW3(S)

1 x L42 rifle
1 x Telescopic sight
1 x Scoutregiment telescope
100 x 7.62mm Ball

SOP 5

STAND TO ROUTINE

1. On the order stand to being given the following will take place

   a. Detachment muster by sections/departments on Veh park.

   b. All bergens to be pre dumped in canteen.

   c. Weapons, ammunition & radios issued to scale as in SOP 4.

   d. Section Commanders stand by for 'O' Group.

   e. Sections supply working parties as required.

   f. Vehicles prepared for camp driving as in SOP 12.

MOODY BROOK OPERATIONS ROOM ROUTINE

In normal working hours

1. The S3/S1 is to maintain a daily log of all outward/homeward movement of patrols, MV Forrest, also any walking, sailing, shooting or climbing parties. The log must contain timings out and back, locations, routes etc.

2. Out of working hours, including lunch hour 1230 - 1330 the duty ops room marine is to carry out the following duties:

   a. Carry out any radio schedules to patrols or MV Forrest as per the communications plans published on the ops room notice board, logging all transmissions, and informing duty SNCO of any abnormalities/requirements.

   b. Answer the telephone (correctly) and pass messages where necessary.

   c. Book out and back in any sailing, walking, climbing or shooting parties, informing the duty JNCO of any overdue personnel. You are to note where the parties are going, ETR, names of each person and proposed routes out and back.

   d. Inform either S1 or S3 of the arrival of any signal on the teleprinter out of working hours. If both ashore you are to inform the duty JNCO who is to inform them on their return. The teleprinter is not to be touched under any circumstances. If the teleprinter bell rings the S1 or S3 is to be summoned immediately, even if ashore.

   e. Ensure the flag is flown as soon as he wakes up, and the flag is taken down at Dusk.

   f. In the event of fire you are to telephone the Fire Brigade superintendant on 254, if ordered by the NCO i/c scene of the fire.

ANNEX A TO
SOP 6

NP8901 RACAL SYSTEM

PRIOR TO RECALL

1. State GREEN

    a. Key personnel board on ops room door to be kept updated at all times, by phone when ashore.

    b. Key personnel ashore are to note what veh they have taken ashore with them.

2. State AMBER

    a. ALL personnel must leave their whereabouts in the Ops room at ½ hours availability.

    b. A vehicle tasking record is to be maintained by ops room sentry/DSNCO.

RECALL

State RED declared

1. Telephone all key personnel ashore to return using own transport is available or co-ordinate LWB to pick up from addresses.

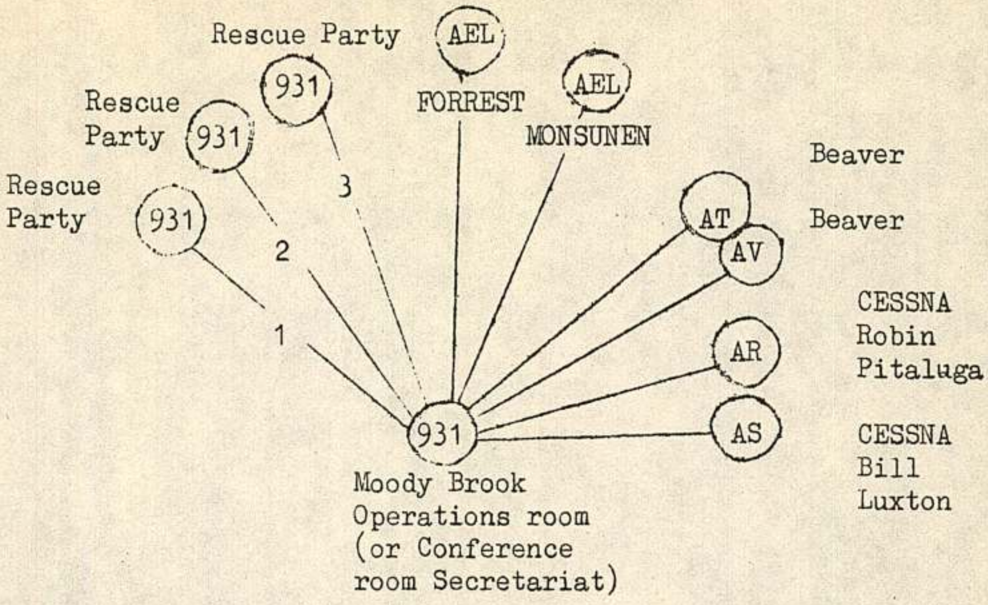
2. Telephone the police if necessary to go to all public houses to inform personnel to RV at police station for transport to Moody Brook.

All public houses on the phone are to be called to send personnel to the police station RV for transport.

The FIDF hall should also be called to send any RM personnel to the police station RV.

SOP 8

SEARCH AND RESCUE COMMUNICATIONS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AV
CESSNA Robin Pitaluga
AR
CESSNA Bill Luxton
AS
931
Moody Brook Operations room (or Conference room Secretariat)

CALLSIGNS As above, plus settlements and other craft when known,

FREQUENCIES
A. 45oo Khz AM
B. 2000 Khz AM
C. 3270 Khz LSB
D. 2810 Khz AM or SSB when ordered
E. 11045 Khz USB

RADIATION 8 foot rod antenna, but dipole antennas if ranges dictate.

EQUIPMENT Each rescue team will carry:-

- 1 x RACAL 931 transciever
- 1 x Hand generator
- 1 x Hand generator stand
- 2 x Batteries
- Dipole kit complete

TIMINGS All parties will remain on listening watch, or as ordered by NOMAD.

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

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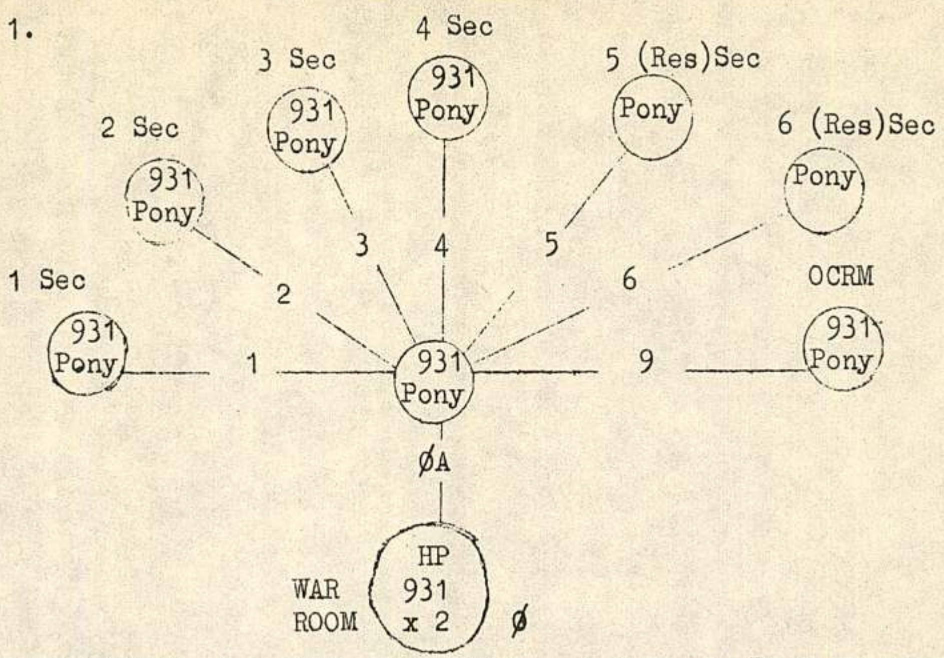
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2. **FREQUENCIES**
A. 3270 Khz USB or as ordered. In daylight hrs.
B. 2810 Khz AM or SSB as ordered. In dark hrs.
C. 4500 Khz AM
D. 2000 Khz AM
E. 27065 Khz CH1 Pony
F. 27085 Khz CH2 Pony

3. **CALLSIGNS** As per net diagram.

4. **RADIATION** 8 foot rod antenna or dipole if ranges dictate.

5. **CODEX** Settings and cards issued with equipment.
Settings change daily at 1200hrs.

6. **EQUIPMENT** Each section will carry:-

1 x RACAL 931
1 x Pony TX/RX
1 x Hand generator & stand
2 x Batteries
OCRM/Tp HQ will carry in addition
1 x Dipole kit complete

7. COMMAND

a. Initially the Ops Rm Moody Brook will control.

b. When the troop deploys and the war room is manned the Admin section will remain on telephone watch in Moody Brook Ops room.

c. The following equipment is to be held ready at Moody Brook for forward deployment if necessary:

- (1) Wall map, 1:50,000
- (2) One set Cypher eqpt
- (3) Ops box containing:
  - (i) Signal pads
  - (ii) Signal logs
  - (iii) Commanders diary
  - (iv) Pencils, erasers
  - (v) Foolscap paper
  - (vi) Memo pads
  - (vii) Chinagraphs
  - (viii) Rag
  - (ix) Cleaning fluid
  - (x) Pins

LOGISTICS

Transport

1. State of readiness

   a. On the initiation of state AMBER/RED vehicles are to be prepared as follows under the direction of VM:

      (1) Fuel tanks to be topped up.

      (2) Oil and water levels checked.

      (3) Equipped as detailed in SOP 12.

   b. Tasking This will be as detailed in SOP 2.

   c. POL Cpl (VM) is to supervise preparation of resupply in jerrycans as directed by DQMS.

Rations

2. 1st line scale is as detailed in SOP 4.

3. Resupply (On deployment)

   a. Immediate DQMS is to centralise immediate resupply of 24hr packs and hexamine/petrol.

   b. Long term Cpl (K) is to centralise and prepare all equipment necessary for cooking in the field and also for transporting hot meals cooked at Moody Brook. This will be as instructed by DQMS.

Weapons

4. On deployment spare and additional weapons will be held in the armoury at Moody Brook. They will be issued when required.

Ammunition

5. 1st line scale is as detailed in SOP 4.

6. On deployment PWI is to ensure magazine keys are handed to DQMS. Resupply will be effected from Moody Brook.

Methods of Resupply

7. The following means of transport may be available to DQMS for resupply purposes:

   a. AP8901s MT

b. Additional civilian MT.

c. 2 x Beaver, 2 x Cessna.

d. MV FORREST and MONSUNEN.

e. FIC owned Rotork.

SHELLREP / BOMREP / MORTREP

ALPHA	From (sub-unit callsign).
BRAVO	Position of observer (encode if necessary).
CHARLIE	Bearing of flash or sound.
DELTA	Time from.
ECHO	Time to.
FOXTROT	Area shelled /bombed / mortared.
GOLF	No of rounds / bombs.
HOTEL	Nature of fire.
INDIA	Damage.

SITUATION REPORT (SITREP)

1. Enemy.

2. Own sit.

3. Admin-incl cas.

4. General-info not included in 1-3 above.

CONTACT REPORTS

1. Immediate action: Radio call "CONTACT WAIT OUT".

2. As soon as time allows a full contact report should be sent. It answers the following questions:

WHEN ?

WHERE ?

WHAT ?

WHAT IS IT DOING ?

WHAT AM I DOING ABOUT IT ?

e.g. "Hello 0 this is 1. CONTACT TWO minutes ago at GRID 679 543. Platoon of enemy infantry moving North East towards my position. Am observing and preparing to engage".

PATROL REPORT

Designation of patrol...............

Maps......................

a. Size and composition.

b. Task.

c. Time out.

d. Time in.

e. Routes out and back.

f. Terrain.

g. Enemy.

h. Map corrections.

i. Misc info.

j. Results on encounters with enemy.

k. Own casualties.

l. Conclusions and recommendation.

A/Q REPORTS & RETURNS

OPDEMS

1. An OPDEM is used for the urgent resupply of one essential item. If more than one commodity is required, a separate OPDEM must be raised for each one.

2. FORMAT: prefixed by the word 'OPDEM'

   a. Sub-unit serial No of OPDEMS.

   b. Sub-unit requiring item.

   c. Quantity and commodity required (using commodity code).

   d. LS/DZ/RV where item is required.

   e. Priority or latest acceptable time of delivery.

   f. Any other information.

LOGREQS

3. A Logreq is used for normal resupply and is submitted daily at 0600 and 1800.

4. FORMAT: prefixed by the word 'LOGREQ'

   a. Sub-unit serial No of 'LOGREQ'.

   b. Sub-unit requiring item.

   c. Type and quantity required (using commodity code).

   d. LS/DZ/RV where stores are required.

   e. Any other information.

CASREPS

5. FORMAT: prefixed by the word 'CASREP'

   a. Time.

   b. Location.

   c. Death (No only and cause).

   d. Injured (No only and nature of injury).

   e. Where casualty taken.

COMMODITY CODE

6. When making Q returns the code is used to reduce the amount of time meeded to pass a message dealing with stores, POL, rats and ammo.

7. The code is used for brevity and not security reasons.

AMMUNITION

7.62mm Ball	AA
7.62mm Link	AB
7.62mm B & T Link	AC
7.62mm Tracer	AD
9mm Ball	AE
Cart 12 bore	AF
Bombs 2" Mor Illum	AG
Bombs 2" Mor Smoke	AH
Bombs 2" Mor HE	AJ
84mm HEAT	AK
Trip Flare	AL
Schemully 1.5 Illum	AM
Verys Cart RED	AN
Verys Cart GREEN	AP
Verys Cart ILLUM	AQ
Grenade HE L2 A1	AR
Grenade A/R Irritant	AS
Grenade 80 WP	AT
Grenade 83 Smoke	AU
P.E. (½lb sticks)	AV
Dets 33	AW
Fuse elect	AX
Dets flash	AY
Cordtex	AZ
Primers CE	AAA
Fuse safety	AAB

WEAPONS

SLR	BA
GPMG	BB
SMG	BC
GPMG SF KIT	BD
84mm C.G.	BE
9mm Pistol	BF
2" Mortar	BG
Shotgun	BH

RADIOS

RACAL 931	CA
Battery for RACAL	CB
Pony	CC
Battery for Pony	CD

RATIONS

24hr Pack	DA
10 man pack	DB
Hexamine cooker	DC
Hexamine refill	DD
Jerrycan Water	DE
Haybox meal	DF

EQUIPMENT

Bergen	EA
Boots Greenlander	EB
Sleeping bag	EC
Poncho	ED
CEFO	EE
Spade	EF
Pick	EG
JWH	EH
Stockings white	EJ
Boots knee rubber	EK
Mat sleeping	EL
Parka	EM
Kip	EN
Millbank bag	EP
Water Ster Tabs	EQ

Smock Denison	ER
Smock Windproof	ES
Trsrs Denim	ET
Steel Helmet	EU

MEDICAL

F.F.D.	FA
Morphine	FB
Stretcher	FC

DEFENCE STORES

Dannert wire	GA
Pickets 6'	GB
Pickets 3'	GC
Sandbags	GD
Wiring gloves	GE
Sledge hammer	GF

IS STORES

Batons	HA
Shields	HB
Respirator	HC

POL

Jerrycan Petrol	JA
Jerrycan Diesel	JB

CAMP DRIVING

VEHICLE EQUIPMENT

1. Vehicles are to carry the following equipment:

Item	Number
Sheer Pin	2
Bumper jack	1
Hold fast	1
Hold fast pins	8
Hold fast shackle	1
Towing rope	1
Spare wheel	1
Wheel brace	1
Wooden planks	4
Sand track (reinforced)	2
Shovel	2
Sledge hammer	1
Shackle	2
Bardic/Torch	1
Sandbags	4
Jerrycan (fuel)	1
First Aid Kit	1
24hr ration pack	2
Water bottle	1

Driving Techniques

2. The following are notes on camp driving techniques:

a. Ensure the vehicle is fully equipped and fuelled prior to departure. Allow sufficient time beforehand for fitting out, wheel changing etc.

b. Vehicles should travel in pairs where possible.

c. Arrange seating position to enable you to look down over the front of the bonnet. This way you will notice rocks and holes not otherwise apparent.

d. Ditches Attempt to cross ditches diagonally, thus putting only one wheel in the ditch at any one time. If in doubt use tracking/planks before attempting to cross.

e. Drive in as high gear as possible. This will help to eliminate wheel spin on soft ground and keep tyre speed down for maximum grip.

f. Always keep your thumb outside the stering wheel. A sudden bump could wrench the wheel round and damage your hand.

g. If in doubt, get out! Always recce a piece of ground of which you are unsure prior to attempting to cross it. Five minutes spent in this way is preferable to an hour or more trying to de-bog the vehicle.

h. On camp tracks never follow directly in someone elses tyre marks. Always drive slightly to one side of them.

j. Local Knowledge The local population have been driving over this terrain for years and have accumulated a vast store of knowledge and experience on the subject. Never be afraid to ask for or take advice on local conditions.

k. If you do become stuck then begin your recovery procedure before the situation gets worse. Dont waste time spinning the wheels in an effort to get out. When all you are doing is sinking deeper.

l. Before setting out check the winch throughly and give it a trial run. Check the sheer pins.

m. Carry a radio when possible. Ensure the ops room has details of your route and ETR.

n. Personal Equipment

(1) On military trips kit is as laid down in SOP 4.

(2) For civilian trips ensure you take sufficient clothing and equipment to enable you to survive until recovery can be effected should you become hopelessly bogged.

OPERATIONS FROM MV FORREST

1. General Notes

a. MV Forrest has a crusing range of 7000nm at top speed (9knots).

b. The ships draught is 8 feet and she is therefore capable of close inshore work.

c. The number of personnel carried and the time they can remain on board depends on the conditions laid down in this SOP.

2. SAFETY

a. Lifejackets. All personnel being carried onboard are to be in possesion of an A.L.J.

b. Lifeboats.

(1) All embarked personnel are to physically sight the position of the ships liferafts and be fully conversant with their operation.

(2) When more than ten personnel are embarked two IRC are to be taken onboard to supplement the ships liferafts.

3. Inflatable Raiding Craft

a. Up to four IRC can be carried, lashed down on the hold hatch.

b. One IRC will be carried onboard at all times being maintained at regular intervals by the NP8901 boats storeman.

c. IRC will only be launched from the ship by use of the ships derrick.

d. All personnel using the IRC from the ship are to wear A.L.J's.

e. Personnel are to transfer from ship to IRC one at a time via the gate on the foredeck and a jumping ladder will be used.

f. When tactically possible the ships foredeck will be illuminated during ship/IRC transfers at night.

4. Accommodation

a. There is one spare cabin onboard with two berths.

b. Up to eighteen personnel can be aoolcated bunks in the ships hold. When over eighteen are carried for a prolonged period of time those not allocated bunks will sleep on the deck of the hold using sleeping mats or camp beds if numbers and stores permit.

5. Victualling

a. Rations

(1) Rations for RM personnel will be supplied by NP8901.

(i) Up to six - fresh rations.

(ii) Up to twenty-five - ten man compo.

(iii) Over twenty-five - 24hour ration packs.

b. Meals

(1) Up to six personnel can be catered for by the ships cook and they will take their meals with the crew.

(2) A chef will be supplied by NP8901 when up to twenty-five personnel are embarked and they will take their meals in relays of up to eight using the crews canteen.

(3) When over twenty-five personnel are embarked they will eat cold 24hour rations in the ships hold, hot drinks being supplied by the ships galley.

6. Stores

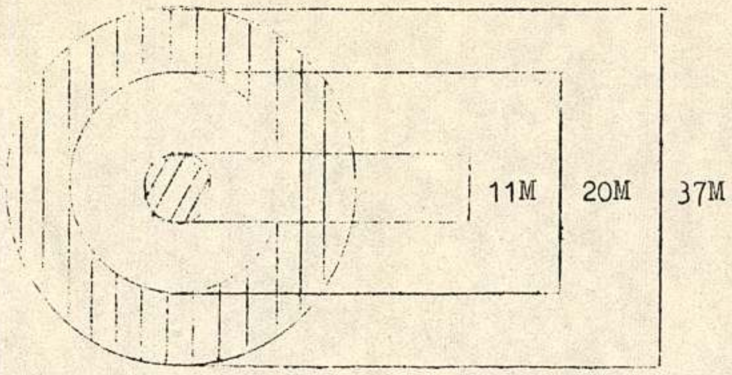
a. All military stores (except 6b) will be carried in the ships hold and where possible lashed down.

b. Detonators are to be secured on deck aft of the bridge.

LZ & DZ MARKING

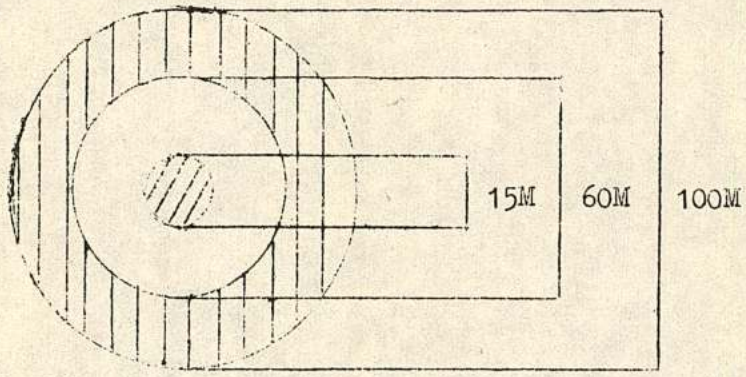
1. HELICOPTER OPERATIONS

a. DAYTIME



(Hard surface should support a laden 4 ton vehicle)

b. NIGHT TIME



KEY		
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HARD SURFACE	CLEARED TO GROUND LEVEL	FREE OF OBSTRUCTIONS OVER 1 foot HIGH

c. SELECTION OF LP

1. SURFACE Centre of LP should be hard and free from loose material.

2. SLOPE Not more than 7° for landing and 25° for hover.

3. APPROACH + EXIT As free from obstructions as possible e.g. telegraph wires etc.

d. DAYTIME MARKING

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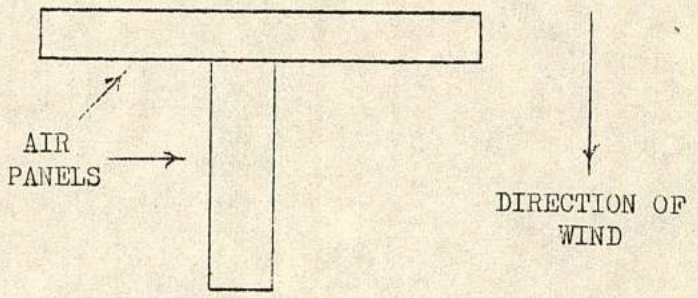
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e. NIGHTIME MARKINGS

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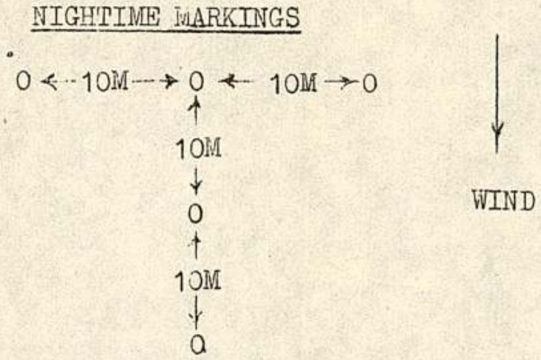
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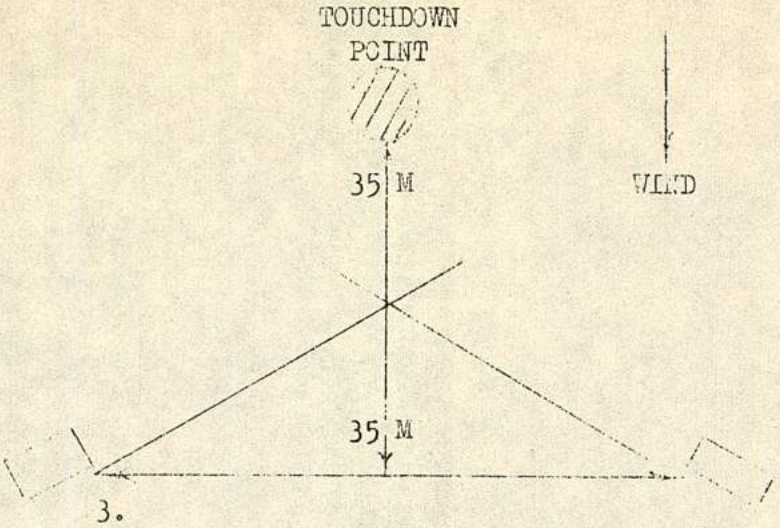
5 torches used must be secured to the ground.

2. CROSSED HEADLIGHTS



3.

a. Vehicles must be landrovers (never 4 ton) parked with undipped headlights and rear lights on.

b. Troops are to wait at least 30M to right of touchdown point.

f. FIXED WING AIRCRAFT

1. BEAVER FLOAT PLANES

a. At least 1000M of unobstructed water, (including reefs).

b. Must be into wind.

c. There must be either

1. Jetty available for plane to come alongside at all states of the tide.

2. Boat available to go out to aircraft.

3. Shallow enough water for personnel to wade out to aircraft.

4. Remember that when a Beaver lands it must stop its engine and is then not manouverable at all.

g. OTHER LIGHT AIRCRAFT

1. LANDING STRIP

a. At least 500M of flat firm unobstructed ground.

b. Must be into wind.

h. AIR DROPS

1. MARKING

a. A cross laid out on ground using air panels or white tape.

b. Firm ground.

NAVAL PARTY 8901 - INSTRUCTIONS FOR OPENING FIRE

1. These instructions are for the guidance of NCOs and Marines operating collectively or individually. When troops are operating collectively Marines will only open fire when ordered to do so be the commander on the spot.

2. These instructions cover two eventualities:

   a. Small scale operations against terrorists.

   b. An invasion.

SMALL SCALE OPERATIONS AGAINST TERRORISTS

3. Specific orders for opening fire will be given by the OCRM to meet the particular circumstances at the time and will depend on the threat.

4. General Rules

   a. Never use more force than the minimum necessary to enable you to achieve your objective.

   b. If you use firearms you should do so with care for the safety of persons, other that terrorists, in the locality.

   c. Always first try to handle the situation by other means than opening fire. If you have to fire:

      (1) Fire only aimed shots.

      (2) Do not fire more rounds than are absolutely necessary to achieve your aim.

   d. Use of Automatic Fire. Automatic fire may be used against identified targets in the same circumstances as single shots if, in the opinion of the Commander on the spot, it is the minimum force required and no other weapon can be employed as effectively. Because automatic fire scatters it is not to be used where persons not using firearms are, or may be, close to the line of fire.

   e. No magazine/belt of live ammunition is to be fitted to the weapon unless you are ordered to do so by the OCRM. Unless you are ordered to open fire no live round is to be carried in the breach and the working parts must be forward.

5. Warning before firing

   a. You will be required wherever practical to issue a warning before opening fire. The warning should be as loud as possible and it must:

      (1) Give clear orders to stop attacking or to halt, as appropriate.

      (2) Be repeated three times in English and Spanish allowing sufficient time for a reaction between each call.

      (3) On the thied call state that fire will be opened if the orders are not obeyed. Example:

(a) First two calls:

HALT - HANDS UP - ALTO-ARRIBA LOS MANOS

(b) Third call:

HALT OR I WILL OPEN FIRE - ALTO O DISPARARE

b. You may fire without warning only in circumstances where the giving of a warning or any delay in firing would lead to death or serious injury to a person whom it is your duty to protect, or to yourself, or to another member of the security forces.

c. Under NO circumstances other than those envisaged in paragraph 5b above are you to open fire without warning unless you receive orders to that effect from the OCRM. These orders will be specific.

6. Opening Fire

After due warning (see paragraph 5) you may open fire:

a. Against a person carrying what you can positively identify as a firearm*, but only if you have reasons to believe that he is about to use it for offensive purposes and he refuses to halt when called upon to do so, and there is no other way of stopping him.

b. Against a person attacking or destroying property or stealing firearms or explosives if his action is likely to endanger life.

c. Against a person who, though he is not at present attacking has in your sight killed or seriously injured a member of the security forces or a person whom it is your duty to protect and not halted when called upon to do so and cannot be arrested by any other means.

d. If there is no other way to protect yourself or those whom it is your duty to protect from the danger of being killed or seriously injured.

AN INVASION

7. Orders for opening fire will be issued by the OCRM at the time.

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* Firearms include a grenade, nail bomb or gelignite type bomb.

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INTRODUCTION

GENERAL

1. This regulation details the description and action of mechanism of the Rifle 7.62 mm L1A1. It also describes the Magazine L2A1, Launcher rifle grenade L1A2, Blank firing attachment L1A2 and L6A1, Adaptor magazine charging, Mount weaponsight rifle 7.62 mm XL2E2 and Mount Infra-Red weaponsight 7.62 mm L1A1.

DESCRIPTION RIFLE L1A1

GENERAL (Fig 1)

2. At present in British Service will be found Rifles 7.62 mm L1A1 of British and Australian manufacture. Some minor design differences will be noted and are to be accepted. It is not anticipated that the interchange of components between the two rifles will in any way affect correct functioning.

3. The main differences that will be found on Australian rifles are as follows:-

a. Extractor - Front angle altered to stop damage of chamber at extractor way.

b. Holding open device - Locating pin at front omitted.

c. Change lever - No provision for retention by split pin.

d. Firing, pin extension - Not marked with figure '2'.

e. Band, sling loop - Original British pattern fitted.

f. Ejector, block - 1/4 in. cut-away at bottom of block.

g. Pin, locking hinge pin - Length of ribs reduced by approx 1/8 in.

h. Screw, return spring tube - Plain diameter at front of thread omitted.

FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE 27.6.74

The following Rifles wase inspected by the Royal Marine Armourer and myself, and were considered unservicable, details are stated below:

S.M.L.E.

M 93347	Returned from Douglas Station.
M 93002	" " Goose Green.
M 90715	" " " "
M 91869	" " " "
G 48262	" " " "
E 12352	Armoury Stanley.
731	Returned from F.Bay West

No 4.

6L8744	Returned from P.Island.
6L8122	" " Hill Cove.

Despliegue de armamento

J.Stanley Smith (Armourer)

J Stanley Smith.

No.

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

MEMORANDUM

Esta do del
armourer to

10th September 1974

From Staff Officer, F.I.D.F.

Stanley.

To: Armourer/Quartermaster, FIDF,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

Inspection

During the course of my inspection of the Armoury and Q.M. Stores on Thursday, 5th September, in which I was accompanied by Major S.H.B. Cook, Officer Commanding 8901, I was both pleased and impressed by the high standard of weapon maintenance and the ~~general tidy appearance of the Storerooms.~~ Congratulations. No doubt you also support the view that if a job is worth doing it is worth doing properly!

Before closing I would advise that as you are held fully responsible, under the Adjutant, for all equipment within the stores I consider you should endeavour to maintain a firm control over the number of personnel permitted within the Armoury and Stores Section.

Commandant, F.I.D.F.

SECRET

Stanley

16th February 1977

DEFENCE INSTRUCTIONS

I attach a new Defence Net Radio Diagram made necessary by the new frequency to replace 3023.5 KHZ which is reserved for Search and Rescue by the International Aeronautics Union.

2. The new frequency is to become operational on 1st March 1977.

3. Please acknowledge receipt on the attached slip.

R Thomson

for Chief Secretary

NAVAL PARTY 8901
BFPO SHIPS

RM/FALK/7

Chief Secretary
Secretariat

28th September 1976

FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE CONTINGENCY PLAN

1. It is proposed to exercise the FIDF in their part in the Falkland Islands Defence Contingency Plan on the afternoon of Friday 29th ~~September~~ OCT. It is therefore requested that a circular is sent to various employers asking them to release FIDF members during this period.

2. His Excellency The Governor has stated that he wishes to watch this exercise.

RA Hooper
R A HOOPER
Major RM
Officer Commanding

Copy to: Now 12th Nov

Commanding Officer
Falkland Islands Defence Force

Ubicacion de Establecimientos y personales –

Major the Hon RV Goss OBS SO

RM/FALK/4

10 October 1974

VISIT OF THE FLEET ROYAL MARINES OFFICER (MAJOR P J SAUNDERS RM) TO THE FALKLAND ISLANDS 14 - 28 OCTOBER 1974

Serial (a)	Time/Date (b)	Venue (c)	Event (d)	Dress (e)	Transport (f)	Notes (g)
1	Mon 14 October	Airport	Arrive ETA 1100 Proceed to Upland Goose Hotel	Civilian Clothes	OCRMs L/R	OCRM/DSM to meet
2	1230	RM Moody Brook	Lunch in Sergeants Mess	Working dress	OCRMs L/R	
3	1400-1600	RM/Moody Brook (Wardroom)	Presentation - NP 8901 (The Problems) by OCRM followed by discussions	Working dress	N/A	Tea 1500 - Duty MOA
4	1615	Secretariat	Call on Chief Secretary	Working dress	OCRMs L/R	Supper arrangements to be decided
5	Tue 15 October 0900-0930	RM Moody Brook	FRMO inspects Unit on parade (Lovat 3A)	Lovat S/B	OCRMs L/R Duty Driver	
6	0930-1025	RM Moody Brook	FRMO tours and inspects RM Moody Brook	Lovats S/B	N/A	OCRM, DSM, TQ, POMA to accompany
7	1030-1130	Government House	Call on The Governor and Commander IN Chief	Lovats S/B	OCRMs L/R	
8	1130	Police HQ	Call on Superintendant T Peck	Lovats S/B	OCRMs L/R	
9	1200	Ross House	Call on Honourable S Miller	Lovats CB	OCRMs L/R	
10	1230	RM Moody Brook	Lunch - Wardroom	Working dress	OCRMs L/R	

* 11	1430	GEU Offices	Conference - Major The Hon R V Goss OBE ED on FIDF	Working dress	OCRMs L/R	Captain P Summers may be in attendance
12	1600-1700	FIC Offices	Discussion - Mr Terry Spruce (Admiralty Agents)	Working dress	OCRMs L/R	Visit to Stanley Manager (Mr Harry Milne) to be arranged
* 13	1845	RM Moody Brook	Attend private Cocktail Party	Civilian Clothes	OCRMs L/R 1835	
14	Wed 16 October 0900-1700	Wardroom	Administrative inspection of: a. Administration (Orderly Room org etc) b. Stores (Naval, Clothing, Armament etc) c. Communications d. Transport e. Catering f. Quartering/Barrackmaster g. Medical h. Welfare i. Legal j. Public Relations k. Civilian Agencies l. Weapons m. Boats - Marauder n. Discipline/Morale	Working dress	N/A OCRMs L/R available from 1630	Notes: a. FRMO will work through list. NCOs to be available on call as required. b. Lunch in Sgts Mess 1230 c. Tea provided 1600
15	2000	Government House	Dinner Party	DJ	OCRMs L/R 1945	
16	Thu 17 October 0900-1230	RM Moody Brook	Inspection of range facilities and areas of operational responsibility	Loose Combat Order	OCRMs L/R 0850	
17	1230	RM Moody Brook	Lunch in Wardroom	Loose Combat Order	N/A	

18	1400	RM Moody Brook	Continue with inspection listed in serial 14	Loose Combat Order	N/A	
19	1600 estimated	Stanley	Exercise 'Golf Shag'	Loose Combat Order	OCRMs L/R	Ex Golf Shag ends approx 1800
20	2000	FIDF	Visit de-brief and FIDF CLUB	Loose Combat Order	OCRMs L/R	
21	Fri 18 October 0900-1230	RM Moody Brook	Continue inspections listed in serial 14 and call on selected Government Departments	Working dress	OCRMs L/R	
22	1230-1400	RM Moody Brook	Lunch	Working dress		
23	1415	Hangar	By Beaver to Rincon Grande	As discussed		a. Tea at Rincon Grande b. Forrest ETA 1600
24	1700	Rincon Grande	Board MV Forrest travel to Salvador Settlement			a. Accommodated by Mr & Mrs Robin Pitaluga
25	Sat 19 October)	Salvador Waters	Plans include a visit to Teal Inlet Settlement and fishing on Malo (to be confirmed in detail)			
26	Sun 20 October)					
27	Mon 21 October	Salvador Waters	Fly back from Salvador or travel by Forrest as FRMO directs		OCRMs L/R at Hangar 1030	Forrest departs
28	1100-1200	Studio	Radio Interview from 'Moody Brook Calling'		OCRMs L/R	

29	1230	Wardroom	Lunch			
30	1400	RM Moody Brook	Attend briefing for Ex 'Golf Spider'	Combat Clothing		
31	1500	RM Moody Brook	Exercise 'Golf Spider' until PM 22 October			
32	Tue 22 October	Twin Sisters Area	Exercise 'Golf Spider'			
33	Wed 23 October 0900	West Falklands	Beaver recce and visit to settlement (weather permitting)	Combat Clothing		
34	1600	Hangar	Return to Stanley		OCRMs L/R	
* 35	1945	Sgts Mess	Regimental Dinner	DJ/or Blues	OCRMs L/R	
36	Thu 24 October 0900	Wardroom	Open Forum with SNCOs	Working dress	OCRMs L/R 0850	
37	1230	Sgts Mess	Lunch	Working dress		
38	1400-1600	Sappers Hill Range	Selected ranks to weapon firing	Working dress		
39	Fri 25 October 0900	RM Moody Brook	Conclusion of Administrative Inspection Including final parade and address .			a. Ranks organizing dance will have special instructions b. Includes visit to Canteen for lunch time drinks
40	2100	FIDF Hall	Attend Corps Birthday Dance	Suit		

41	Sat 26 October 1000	RM Moody Brook	Visit to Kidney Island Nature Reserve	Civilian Clothes	MV FORREST	Gemini team required Bag Rations required
42	Sun 27 October	Stanley	a. Spare for fishing or golf or visit to York Bay b. Church at 1900 and Folk Concert in Frog & Nightgown at 2100		OCRMs L/R	
43	Mon 28 October 0930	Government House	Call on His Excellency the Governor and Commander In Chief	Civilian Clothes	OCRMs L/R	
	1300	Airfield	ETD	Civilian Clothes	OCRMs L/R	

SHB Cook

S H B COOK
Major RM
Officer Commanding

From: Capt W D H BALDWIN RM

COVERING STAFF IN CONFIDENCE

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Maj S B H COOK RM
NP8901

12 Dec 74

Dear Simon,

The course report for Sgt FORD FIDF who attended JCC 3/74, is enclosed for action as necessary.

Yours,

David Baldwin

Encl:

1 x Cse report

COVERING STAFF IN CONFIDENCE

Non Commissioned Officers Training Wing

Course Report - Junior Command Course 3/74

Sergeant B W Ford

Falklands Islands Defence Force.

Mature, confident and very enthusiastic, Sgt Ford has achieved a most creditable result on the JCC. He is keen to learn, liked by all, and has been both diligent and resolute in producing results of a better standard than some of the regular marines on the course.

Although his written work has been slightly weak, he has more than compensated this with his good command ability and practical results, especially map reading and instructional technique.

t is obvious that he has gained a wealth of military knowledge and experience, and it is hoped that he enjoyed the course and will put it to good use in the Falklands Islands Defence Force.

J N A GOLDSWORTHY
Maj RM
OC NCOTW

29 November 74

From: Major S H B Cook, Royal Marines

Major The Hon R V Goss OBE Esq.

Officer Commanding
Naval Party 8901
RM Moody Brook
Stanley

RM/FALK/7

The Farm Managers
Falkland Islands

31 December 1974

Dear Dick, (for info)

VOLUNTEER TRAINING

1. The co-operation of Camp Managers/Owners which was given to our training teams during the past few months was very much appreciated. My teams reported a tremendously friendly, helpful and hospitable reception wherever they went. I would, therefore, wish to place on record my personal thanks to all the managers concerned. Thank you.

2. I am now looking towards next years programme and hope to be able to make a comprehensive recommendation to my relief as to his approach to the task of training volunteers. I think, therefore, it would be valuable for managers to express their views to me on this subject.

3. The disadvantages or problems of this training are thought to be:

a. Time lost to farms by men doing military training.

b. Farms have to pay wages and this is money lost as far as farm budgets are concerned.

c. The reason for this training is either vague or is often not understood.

d. Many Farm Managers are either lukewarm or actively discourage training.

4. The advantages could be listed:

a. Any framework of men with a smattering of military training form a basis on which a larger force could be built in time of real emergency,

b. The deterrent value to any would be aggressor of having what their intelligence may report, eg there are military trained ranks all over the Falkland Islands. This deterrent value is thought to be considerable, because to take out STANLEY might be comparitively easy, but it is clearly another thing to take the whole country when many of the settlements are known to have militarily trained personnel in them.

c. To provide the basis of an underground movement in the event of the Falklands ever being occupied by an alien power.

d. The break in routine for a farm during the comparitively quiet winter months in the settlements.

5. I hope that these comments will provide you with some meat on which to base your thoughts. I would like to have your views, if any, on Volunteer Training with me by 10 January. Thanks again, A very happy Christmas and New Year.

Yours aye

Simon.

RESTRICTED

From: Major R.A. Hooper, RM

NAVAL PARTY 8901
BFPO SHIPS

RM/FALK/7

Lieutenant Colonel R V GOSS
Commanding Officer
Falkland Islands Defence Force

1st December 1976

Dear Colonel Dick,

DEFENCE EXERCISE - 12 NOVEMBER 1976

1. As a result of the exercise held on 12 November to practise the FIDF in their part of the Contingency Plan two points emerged which I believe you will wish to pursue:

a. Communications. There is an urgent need for the FIDF to be equipped with six radio sets to enable communications to be established between the Headquarters and the sections deployed on the ground (including a reserve). I suggest the Pony transceiver is the most suitable solution, particularly bearing in mind cost. There is also a requirement to establish a direct telephone link between the FIDF Headquarters and the Conference Room in the Secretariat.

b. Operations Room. There is a requirement to establish an operations room in the FIDF Headquarters. Sergeant Warrington has already discussed the details with Second Lieutenant Ford and I suggest that the structural alterations and instalment of additional telephones are processed as soon as possible.

2. I thought it was a useful exercise which not only highlighted the problem areas but also provided a good opportunity for members of the FIDF to practise their various roles. I suggest we consider running a full scale exercise of the Defence Organisation at the end of January.

Yours aye,

RESTRICTED

No.

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

MEMORANDUM

3rd December, 1976.

From: Staff Officer, FIDF.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To: OCRM,
Naval Party 8901,
Moody Brook.

SUBJECT :- Communications and Operations Room

Your letter RM/FALK/7 of the 1st December refers.

Communications: The matter has already been pursued by me and S.F.C. have approved finance to purchase six Pony transceivers. Good show! The Postmaster has also been approached on the direct telephone link between Headquarters and Conference Room.

Operations Room: This one is news to me and I require further details. Structural alterations to Government buildings not only require the sanction of the H of D but also the approval of the SPW. Lets discuss it when we next meet so that I am in a position to put over a reasonably convincing story!

Manoeuvrably Yours,

NP8901 OPERATIONAL ORGANISATION

OCRM (Command LWB LR)
S3

Admin Sect
DQMS
Cpl K2
Mne K3
Dvr
Storeman

Tp HQ
DSM (2)
PWI (Tp Sgt)
LMA
RO
C3

Ops Room (1)
2i/c
S1

1 Sect
(JNCO + 5mnes)

2 Sect
(JNCO + 5mnes)

3 Sect
(JNCO + 5mnes)

4 Sect
(JNCO + 5mnes)

5(Res)Sect (4)
Cpl Carp 2
1 x K3
1 x Arm 3

6 (Res) Sect(4)
Cpl VM 2

Notes

(1) When Ops room staff move fwd to GH/Secretariat War room, Moody Brook Ops room to be manned by Admin Sect.

(2) DSM likely to move fwd early to FIDF Hall.

(3) Vehicle tasking. Command LWB LR permanently allocated to OCRM. 1 x 4ton, 2 x LWB LR and 4 x M/C tasked by 2i/c.

(4) Res sects. Strengths to be filled by available FIDF pers.

BATTLE PROCEDURE

STATES OF READINESS

1. State GREEN (normal).

a. 75% of NP8901 in Stanley area, remainder to camp ptls, SVT, local leave at camp settlements.

b. Ops room manned 24hrs per day by one Mne from the duty sect. Day to day ops controlled by S1 (S3/PWI in his absence).

c. Normal shore leave. Key personnal whereabouts on Ops room state board.

d. Vehs, tasking system normal.

2. State AMBER (on order).

a. Leave, SVT and camp ptl personnel recalled.

b. Restricted shore leave:

(1) All personnel leave whereabouts in Ops room; ½hr availability.

(2) One officer and duty SNCO remain on board.

c. Duty SNCO stands by to initiate recall system from Ops room (see SOP 6).

d. All vehs tasked by Ops room. All vehicles prepared for camp ops (SOP 12). Minimum allowable fuel state ¾ full.

e. All depts report eqpt servicability states to OCRM. Full time effort devoted to any outstanding repairs to operational eqpt.

3. State RED (on order).

a. No shore leave.

b. Essential admin and liaison trips only.

c. Stand by to initiate battle procedure (below) immediately,

STAGES OF BATTLE PROCEDURE

4. Stage 1. Emergency declared for RM Detachment on order of HE the Governor. This may precede the declaration of a civil emergency and the call out of the FIDF and SVT, or it may be independant of a total emergency (e.g. SAR).

5. Stage 2. OCRM's Wng O This will be actioned by the 2i/c and will include some or all of the following:

a. Probable tasks.

b. No move before time or degree of notice or both.

c. Place and time of O Gp, or time for radio orders. Composition of O Gp.

d. Preliminary move.

e. Preliminary admin preparations.

6. Stage 3. Concurrently the following actions will take place:

a. OCRM. With R Gp (S3, Racal, Command LWB LR plus any other pers reqd; e.g. Sect Comds).

(1) Recce.

(2) Consult with HE the Governor to:

(i) Estb action to be taken.

(ii) Decide whether or when control of Ops is to be moved fwd to War Room/GH.

(iii) Decide whether or when FIDF and/or SVT to be activated.

(3) (If relevant) liaise with FIDF, police, Master MV Forrest, FIGAS.

b. Under control of 2i/c in Ops room:

(1) The detachment comes to immediate readiness using the detailed procedure in SOP 5, then relaxes to the degree of notice given in the Wng O.

(2) PWI issues maps and prepares Wardroom for 'O' Gp, unless otherwise ordered in Wng O.

(3) S1 prepares Comd & Sigs para of OCRM's orders and checks ops box. Operationsl signal log commenced.

(4) DQMS makes admin arrangements ordered in Wng O, prepares 2nd line ammo and rats, and prepares to implement logistic support in the longer term (SOP 9).

(5) 2i/c updates all Ops room boards and estb immediate telephone/radio contact with:

a. MV Forrest.

b. FIGAS.

c. MV Monsunen.

(6) 2i/c initiates master battle log.

(7) 2i/c prepares Admin and Logs para of OCRM's orders.

(8) DSM stands by to estb fwd assy point at FIDF hall on OCRM's order.

7. Stage 4. 'O' Gp assembles in Wardroom for OCRM's verbal orders.

The composition will be:

a. 2i/c.

b. All SNCOs.

c. All JNCOs.

d. Superintendant of police (if relevant).

e. Director FIGAS (if relevant).

f. Master MV Forrest (if relevant).

g. Master MV Monsunen (if relevant).

h. Comd, Adjt, Pl Comd FIDF (if relevant).

8. Stage 5. Section/dept orders issued.

9. Stage 6.

a. Deployment as ordered.

b. Fwd assy at FIDF hall if ordered.

c. Mov fwd op control to War room/GH if ordered i.a.w. SOP 8.

STANDARD FIELD EQUIPMENT - INDIVIDUAL

1. CLOTHING

Shirt
Denim trousers
Boots
Puttees/Hose tops
Windproof jacket
Beret

2. EQUIPMENT

a. CEFO containing:-

1 x Cleaning box
1 x Water bottle & mug
1 x Millbank bag
1 x Water Sterilising kit
1 x Set of messtins
1 x 24hr ration pack
1 x Hexamine cooker
1 x Holdall complete
1 x Pair of socks
1 x Waterproof jacket (19lbs)

b. BERGAN RUCKSACK containing:-

1 x Pair of denims)
1 x Shirt)
1 x Set of underwear) In waterproof bag
2 x Pairs of socks)
1 x Jersey)
1 x Pair of soft shoes)
1 x Poncho
1 x Pair of waterproof trousers
1 x 24hr ration pack
1 x Hexamine refill
1 x Petrol cooker
1 x Sleeping bag
1 x Sleeping mat (36lbs)

c. Notes

a. When rucksacks and CEFO are worn together rear pouches are to be secured to the rucksack.

3. WEAPONS & AMMUNITION

a. Rifleman

(i) Weapon:-

1 x SLR
4 x Magazines
1 x Bayonet

(ii) Ammunition:-

140 x 7.62mm Ball
50 x 7.62mm Link Ball Tracer
1 x Pack of 16mm Mini-flares (25lbs)

b. Gunners

(i) Weapon:-

1 x GPMG

(ii) Ammunition:-

400 x 7.62mm Link Ball Tracer (48lbs)

c. 84mm No1 (3 Section)

(i) Weapon:-

1 x 84mm MAW
1 x SLR
4 x Magazines
1 x Bayonet

(ii) Ammunition:-

4 x 84mm H.E.A.T. Rounds
140 x 7.62mm Ball (80lbs)

STANDARD FIELD EQUIPMENT - HQ & SECTIONS

HQ

1. OCRMs GROUP

a. OCRM

(1) Weapons

1 x SLR
4 x Magazines
1 x Bayonet
1 x 9mm Pistol
3 x Pistol Magazines

(2) Ammunition

140 x 7.62mm Ball
50 x 9mm Ball

(3) Equipment

Bergen & CEFO as in SOP 3

b. S3

(1) Weapon

As for rifleman in SOP 3

(2) Ammunition

140 x 7.62mm Ball

(3) Equipment

Bergen & CEFO as in SOP 3
1 x RACAL radio
2 x RACAL batteries
1 x Hand generator
1 x Hand generator stand

c. Additional Equipment

1 x 1" Pistol
9 x 1" Flares (3 illum, 3 red, 3 green)
3 x 83 Grenades (1 red, 1 blue)
2 x 1.5" Rocket P.I.

2. TROOP HQ

a. DSM

(1) Weapons

1 x SLR
4 x Magazines
1 x Bayonet
1 x 1" Pistol

(2) Ammunition

140 x 7.62mm Ball
9 x 1" Flares (3 red, 3 green, 3 illum)
3 x 83 Grenades (1 red, 2 blue)
2 x 1.5 Rockets P.I.

(3) Equipment

Bergen & CEFO as in SOP 3

b. PWI

(1) Weapons

1 x SLR
4 x Magazines
1 x Bayonet
1 x 9mm Pistol
3 x Pistol Magazines

(2) Ammunition

140 x 7.62mm Ball
50 x 9mm Ball

c. LMA

(1) Weapon

As for rifleman in SOP 3

(2) Ammunition

140 x 7.62mm Ball

(3) Equipment

Bergen & CEFO as in SOP 3
First aid kit

d. RO

(1) Weapon & Ammunition as in SOP 3

(2) Equipment

Bergen & CEFO as in SOP 3
1 x RACAL radio
2 x RACAL batteries
1 x Hand generator
1 x Hand generator stand

e. C3

(1) Weapon, ammunition and equipment as for rifleman in SOP 3

(2) 2" Light mortar may be carried if required (see Optional Equipment)

3. ADMIN SECTION

a. DQMS

(1) Weapons

1 x SLR
4 x Magazines
1 x Bayonet
1 x 1" Pistol

(2) Ammunition

140 x 7.62mm Ball
9 x 1" Flares (3 red, 3 green, 3 illum)
3 x 83 Grenades (1 red, 2 blue)
2 x 1.5" Rocket P.I.

(3) Equipment

Bergen & CEFO as in SOP 3

b. Remainder Weapons, ammunition & equipment as for rifleman in SOP 3

OPERATIONAL AND ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT

This equipment may be used depending on the tactical situation and length of time of operation.

5. Second Line Ammunition:

   a. Rifle Sections.

      1. 900 x 7.62mm ball
      2. 800 x 7.62mm link ball tracer
      3. 20 x L2A1 Grenades
      4. 6 x 84mm HEAT (3 Section)

   b. Troop HQ.

      1. 900 x 7.62mm ball

   c. OCRM's Rover Group.

      1. 900 x 7.62mm ball

   d. Admin Section.

      1. 900 x 7.62mm ball
      2. 800 x 7.62mm link ball tracer
      3. 20 x L2A1 Grenades

   e. Collective Pool.

      1. 10,000 x 7.62mm link ball tracer (2 x SF kits)
      2. 40 x L2A1 Grenades
      3. No 83 Grenades (1 box blue, 1 box red, 1 box yellow)
      4. 6 x 84mm HEAT (1 spare 84mm MAW)
      5. 2" Mortar Bombs (36 smoke, 36 illum, 36 HE) (2 x 2" mortars)
      6. 1" Signal Cartridge (1 box red, 1 box green, 1 box illum)
      7. Tripflare x 60
      8. 1½" rocket illum x 60

4. 2i/c's GROUP

   a. 2i/c Weapons, ammunition & equipment as for OCRM (1a)

   b. S3 Weapons, ammunition & equipment as for PWI (2b)

5. SECTIONS

   a. Weapons, ammunition & equipment as for rifleman & gunners

   b. Radio equipment as for RO (2d)

OPTIONAL & ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT

This equipment may be used depending on the tactical situation and length of time of operations.

6. Second Line Ammunition

   a. Rifle Sections

      (1) 600 x 7.62mm Ball (44 lbs)
      (2) 800 x 7.62mm Link Ball Tracer (56lbs)
      (3) Grenades and flares as required

   b. Troop HQ

      (1) 700 x 7.62mm Ball (50lbs)
      (2) Grenades and flares as required

   c. 84mm Team (3 Section)

      (1) 8 x 84mm HEAT rounds (46lbs)
      (2) This ammunition is not airdropable

   d. Admin Section

      (1) 900 x 7.62mm Ball (68lbs)
      (2) 800 x 7.62mm Link Ball Tracer if required (56lbs)
      (3) Grenades and flares if required

7. a. GPMG (SF)

      (1) 1 x GPMG (SF) kit complete
      (2) 5000 x 7.62mm Link Ball Tracer (336lbs)

8. a. 2" Light Mortat

      (1) 1 x 2" Light Mortar
      (2) 18 x 2" mortar bombs (mixed) (41lbs)

9. Section Patrol Equipment & Ammunition

a. Equipment

2 x 3 man tents	
1 x Medical pack	
2 x Containers of petrol	
1 x Compass	
1 x Protractor	
1 x Binos	
1 x 1" Pistol	
Maps as required	(45lbs)

b. Ammunition

3 x 83 Grenades (1 red, 2 blue)	
2 x 1.5" Rockets P.I.	
9 x 1" flares (3 red, 3 green, 3 illum)	(7lbs)

10. PW3(S)

1 x	L42 rifle
1 x	Telescopic sight
1 x	Scoutregiment telescope
100 x	7.62mm Ball

STAND TO ROUTINE

1. On the order stand to being given the following will take place

a. Detachment muster by sections/departments on Veh park.

b. All bergens to be pre dumped in canteen.

c. Weapons, ammunition & radios issued to scale as in SOP 4.

d. Section Commanders stand by for 'O' Group.

e. Sections supply working parties as required.

f. Vehicles prepared for camp driving as in SOP 12.

MOODY BROOK OPERATIONS ROOM ROUTINE

In normal working hours

1. The S3/S1 is to maintain a daily log of all outward/homeward movement of patrols, MV Forrest, also any walking, sailing, shooting or climbing parties. The log must contain timings out and back, locations, routes etc.

2. Out of working hours, including lunch hour 1230 - 1330 the duty ops room marine is to carry out the following duties:

a. Carry out any radio schedules to patrols or MV Forrest as per the communications plans published on the ops room notice board, logging all transmissions, and informing duty SNCO of any abnormalities/requirements.

b. Answer the telephone (correctly) and pass messages where necessary.

c. Book out and back in any sailing, walking, climbing or shooting parties, informing the duty JNCO of any overdue personnel. You are to note where the parties are going, ETR, names of each person and proposed routes out and back.

d. Inform either S1 or S3 of the arrival of any signal on the teleprinter out of working hours. If both ashore you are to inform the duty JNCO who is to inform them on their return. The teleprinter is not to be touched under any circumstances. If the teleprinter bell rings the S1 or S3 is to be summoned immediately, even if ashore.

e. Ensure the flag is flown as soon as he wakes up, and the flag is taken down at Dusk.

f. In the event of fire you are to telephone the Fire Brigade superintendant on 254, if ordered by the NCO i/c scene of the fire.

ANNEX A TO
SOP 6

NP8901 RACAL SYSTEM

PRIOR TO RECALL

1. State GREEN

   a. Key personnel board on ops room door to be kept updated at all times, by phone when ashore.

   b. Key personnel ashore are to note what veh they have taken ashore with them.

2. State AMBER

   a. ALL personnel must leave their whereabouts in the Ops room at ½ hours availability.

   b. A vehicle tasking record is to be maintained by ops room sentry/DSNCO.

RECALL

State RED declared

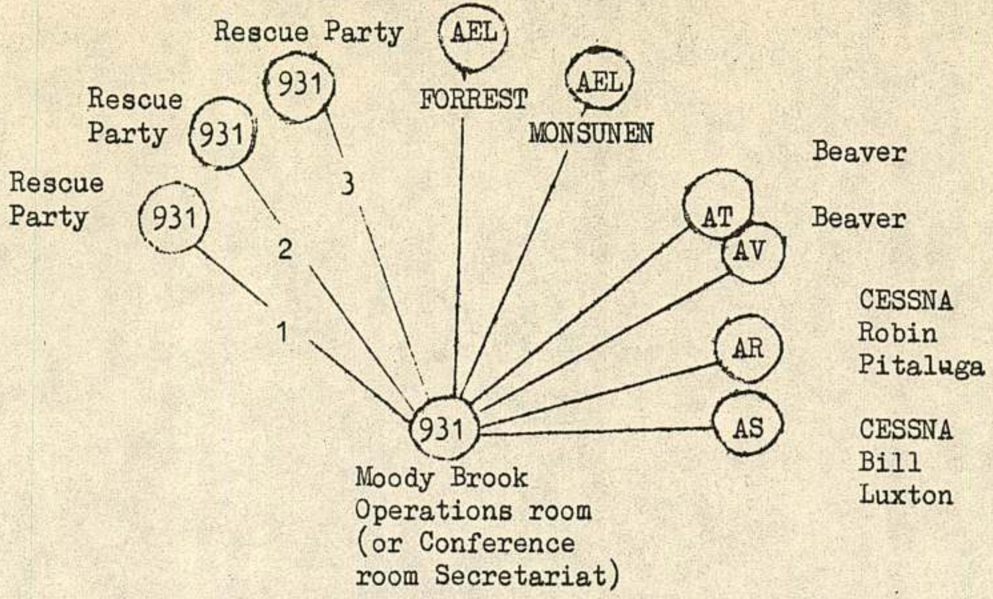
1. Telephone all key personnel ashore to return using own transport is available or co-ordinate LWB to pick up from addresses.

2. Telephone the police if necessary to go to all public houses to inform personnel to RV at police station for transport to Moody Brook.

All public houses on the phone are to be called to send personnel to the police station RV for transport.

The FIDF hall should also be called to send any RM personnel to the police station RV.

SEARCH AND RESCUE COMMUNICATIONS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CESSNA Robin Pitaluga
AR
CESSNA Bill Luxton
AS
931
Moody Brook Operations room (or Conference room Secretariat)

CALLSIGNS As above, plus settlements and other craft when known,

FREQUENCIES A. 45oo Khz AM
B. 2000 Khz AM
C. 3270 Khz LSB
D. 2810 Khz AM or SSB when ordered
E. 11045 Khz USB

RADIATION 8 foot rod antenna, but dipole antennas if ranges dictate.

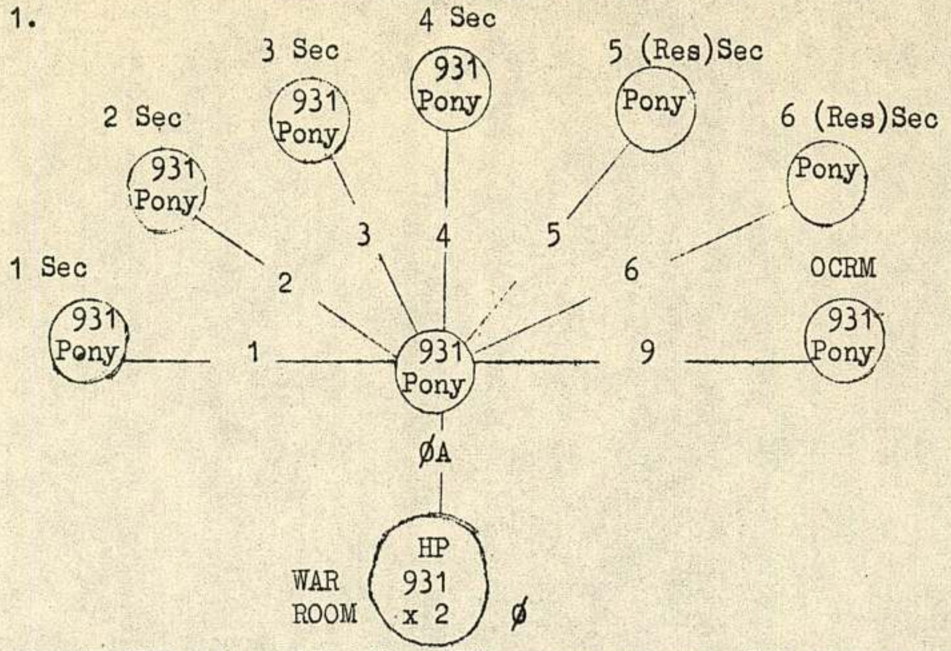
EQUIPMENT Each rescue team will carry:-

1 x RACAL 931 transciever
1 x Hand generator
1 x Hand generator stand
2 x Batteries
Dipole kit complete

TIMINGS All parties will remain on listening watch, or as ordered by NOMAD.

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

1.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931 Pony
3 Sec
931 Pony
5 (Res)Sec
Pony
2 Sec
931 Pony
6 (Res)Sec
Pony
3
4
5
2
6
1 Sec
931 Pony
OCRM
931 Pony
1
931 Pony
9
ØA
WAR ROOM
HP 931 x 2
Ø

2. **FREQUENCIES**
A. 3270 Khz USB or as ordered. In daylight hrs.
B. 2810 Khz AM or SSB as ordered. In dark hrs.
C. 4500 Khz AM
D. 2000 Khz AM
E. 27065 Khz CH1 Pony
F. 27085 Khz CH2 Pony

3. CALLSIGNS As per net diagram.

4. RADIATION 8 foot rod antenna or dipole if ranges dictate.

5. CODEX Settings and cards issued with equipment.
Settings change daily at 1200hrs.

6. EQUIPMENT Each section will carry:-

1 x RACAL 931
1 x Pony TX/RX
1 x Hand generator & stand
2 x Batteries
OCRM/Tp HQ will carry in addition
1 x Dipole kit complete

7. COMMAND

a. Initially the Ops Rm Moody Brook will control.

b. When the troop deploys and the war room is manned the Admin section will remain on telephone watch in Moody Brook Ops room.

c. The following equipment is to be held ready at Moody Brook for forward deployment if necessary:

(1) Wall map, 1:50,000

(2) One set Cypher eqpt

(3) Ops box containing:

    (i) Signal pads
    (ii) Signal logs
    (iii) Commanders diary
    (iv) Pencils, erasers
    (v) Foolscap paper
    (vi) Memo pads
    (vii) Chinagraphs
    (viii) Rag
    (ix) Cleaning fluid
    (x) Pins

LOGISTICS

Transport

1. State of readiness

a. On the initiation of state AMBER/RED vehicles are to be prepared as follows under the direction of VM:

(1) Fuel tanks to be topped up.

(2) Oil and water levels checked.

(3) Equipped as detailed in SOP 12.

b. Tasking This will be as detailed in SOP 2.

c. POL Cpl (VM) is to supervise preparation of resupply in jerrycans as directed by DQMS.

Rations

2. 1st line scale is as detailed in SOP 4.

3. Resupply (On deployment)

a. Immediate DQMS is to centralise immediate resupply of 24hr packs and hexamine/petrol.

b. Long term Cpl (K) is to centralise and prepare all equipment necessary for cooking in the field and also for transporting hot meals cooked at Moody Brook. This will be as instructed by DQMS.

Weapons

4. On deployment spare and additional weapons will be held in the armoury at Moody Brook. They will be issued when required.

Ammunition

5. 1st line scale is as detailed in SOP 4.

6. On deployment PWI is to ensure magazine keys are handed to DQMS. Resupply will be effected from Moody Brook.

Methods of Resupply

7. The following means of transport may be available to DQMS for resupply purposes:

a. NP8901s MT

b. Additional civilian MT.

c. 2 x Beaver, 2 x Cessna.

d. MV FORREST and MONSUNEN.

e. FIC owned Rotork.

SHELLREP / BOMREP / MORTREP

ALPHA	From (sub-unit callsign).
BRAVO	Position of observer (encode if necessary).
CHARLIE	Bearing of flash or sound.
DELTA	Time from.
ECHO	Time to.
FOXTROT	Area shelled /bombed / mortared.
GOLF	No of rounds / bombs.
HOTEL	Nature of fire.
INDIA	Damage.

SITUATION REPORT (SITREP)

1. Enemy.

2. Own sit.

3. Admin-incl cas.

4. General-info not included in 1-3 above.

CONTACT REPORTS

1. Immediate action: Radio call "CONTACT WAIT OUT".

2. As soon as time allows a full contact report should be sent. It answers the following questions:

WHEN ?

WHERE ?

WHAT ?

WHAT IS IT DOING ?

WHAT AM I DOING ABOUT IT ?

e.g. "Hello 0 this is 1. CONTACT TWO minutes ago at GRID 679 543. Platoon of enemy infantry moving North East towards my position. Am observing and preparing to engage".

PATROL REPORT

Designation of patrol...............

Maps......................

a. Size and composition.
b. Task.
c. Time out.
d. Time in.
e. Routes out and back.
f. Terrain.
g. Enemy.
h. Map corrections.
i. Misc info.
j. Results on encounters with enemy.
k. Own casualties.
l. Conclusions and recommendation.

A/Q REPORTS & RETURNS

OPDEMS

1. An OPDEM is used for the urgent resupply of one essential item. If more than one commodity is required, a separate OPDEM must be raised for each one.

2. FORMAT: prefixed by the word 'OPDEM'

   a. Sub-unit serial No of OPDEMS.

   b. Sub-unit requiring item.

   c. Quantity and commodity required (using commodity code).

   d. LS/DZ/RV where item is required.

   e. Priority or latest acceptable time of delivery.

   f. Any other information.

LOGREQS

3. A Logreq is used for normal resupply and is submitted daily at 0600 and 1800.

4. FORMAT: prefixed by the word 'LOGREQ'

   a. Sub-unit serial No of 'LOGREQ'.

   b. Sub-unit requiring item.

   c. Type and quantity required (using commodity code).

   d. LS/DZ/RV where stores are required.

   e. Any other information.

CASREPS

5. FORMAT: prefixed by the word 'CASREP'

   a. Time.

   b. Location.

   c. Death (No only and cause).

   d. Injured (No only and nature of injury).

   e. Where casualty taken.

COMMODITY CODE

6. When making Q returns the code is used to reduce the amount of time meeded to pass a message dealing with stores, POL, rats and ammo.

7. The code is used for brevity and not security reasons.

AMMUNITION

7.62mm Ball	AA
7.62mm Link	AB
7.62mm B & T Link	AC
7.62mm Tracer	AD
9mm Ball	AE
Cart 12 bore	AF
Bombs 2" Mor Illum	AG
Bombs 2" Mor Smoke	AH
Bombs 2" Mor HE	AJ
84mm HEAT	AK
Trip Flare	AL
Schemully 1.5 Illum	AM
Verys Cart RED	AN
Verys Cart GREEN	AP
Verys Cart ILLUM	AQ
Grenade HE L2 A1	AR
Grenade A/R Irritant	AS
Grenade 80 WP	AT
Grenade 83 Smoke	AU
P.E. (½lb sticks)	AV
Dets 33	AW
Fuse elect	AX
Dets flash	AY
Cordtex	AZ
Primers CE	AAA
Fuse safety	AAB

WEAPONS

SLR	BA
GPMG	BB
SMG	BC
GPMG SF KIT	BD
84mm C.G.	BE
9mm Pistol	BF
2" Mortar	BG
Shotgun	BH

RADIOS

RACAL 931	CA
Battery for RACAL	CB
Pony	CC
Battery for Pony	CD

RATIONS

24hr Pack	DA
10 man pack	DB
Hexamine cooker	DC
Hexamine refill	DD
Jerrycan Water	DE
Haybox meal	DF

EQUIPMENT

Bergen	EA
Boots Greenlander	EB
Sleeping bag	EC
Poncho	ED
CEFO	EE
Spade	EF
Pick	EG
JWH	EH
Stockings white	EJ
Boots knee rubber	EK
Mat sleeping	EL
Parka	EM
Kip	EN
Millbank bag	EP
Water Ster Tabs	EQ

Smock Denison	ER
Smock Windproof	ES
Trsrs Denim	ET
Steel Helmet	EU
MEDICAL	
F.F.D.	FA
Morphine	FB
Stretcher	FC
DEFENCE STORES	
Dannert wire	GA
Pickets 6'	GB
Pickets 3'	GC
Sandbags	GD
Wiring gloves	GE
Sledge hammer	GF
IS STORES	
Batons	HA
Shields	HB
Respirator	HC
POL	
Jerrycan Petrol	JA
Jerrycan Diesel	JB

CAMP DRIVING

VEHICLE EQUIPMENT

1. Vehicles are to carry the following equipment:

Item	Number
Sheer Pin	2
Bumper jack	1
Hold fast	1
Hold fast pins	8
Hold fast shackle	1
Towing rope	1
Spare wheel	1
Wheel brace	1
Wooden planks	4
Sand track (reinforced)	2
Shovel	2
Sledge hammer	1
Shackle	2
Bardic/Torch	1
Sandbags	4
Jerrycan (fuel)	1
First Aid Kit	1
24hr ration pack	2
Water bottle	1

Driving Techniques

2. The following are notes on camp driving techniques:

a. Ensure the vehicle is fully equipped and fuelled prior to departure. Allow sufficient time beforehand for fitting out, wheel changing etc.

b. Vehicles should travel in pairs where possible.

c. Arrange seating position to enable you to look down over the front of the bonnet. This way you will notice rocks and holes not otherwise apparent.

d. Ditches Attempt to cross ditches diagonally, thus putting only one wheel in the ditch at any one time. If in doubt use tracking/planks before attempting to cross.

e. Drive in as high gear as possible. This will help to eliminate wheel spin on soft ground and keep tyre speed down for maximum grip.

f. Always keep your thumb outside the stering wheel. A sudden bump could wrench the wheel round and damage your hand.

g. If in doubt, get out! Always recce a piece of ground of which you are unsure prior to attempting to cross it. Five minutes spent in this way is preferable to an hour or more trying to de-bog the vehicle.

h. On camp tracks never follow directly in someone elses tyre marks. Always drive slightly to one side of them.

j. Local Knowledge The local population have been driving over this terrain for years and have accumulated a vast store of knowledge and experience on the subject. Never be afraid to ask for or take advice on local conditions.

k. If you do become stuck then begin your recovery procedure before the situation gets worse. Dont waste time spinning the wheels in an effort to get out. When all you are doing is sinking deeper.

l. Before setting out check the winch throughly and give it a trial run. Check the sheer pins.

m. Carry a radio when possible. Ensure the ops room has details of your route and ETR.

n. Personal Equipment

(1) On military trips kit is as laid down in SOP 4.

(2) For civilian trips ensure you take sufficient clothing and equipment to enable you to survive until recovery can be effected should you become hopelessly bogged.

OPERATIONS FROM MV FORREST

SOP 14

1. General Notes

a. MV Forrest has a crusing range of 7000nm at top speed (9knots).

b. The ships draught is 8 feet and she is therefore capable of close inshore work.

c. The number of personnel carried and the time they can remain on board depends on the conditions laid down in this SOP.

2. SAFETY

a. Lifejackets. All personnel being carried onboard are to be in possesion of an A.L.J.

b. Lifeboats.

(1) All embarked personnel are to physically sight the position of the ships liferafts and be fully conversant with their operation.

(2) When more than ten personnel are embarked two IRC are to be taken onboard to supplement the ships liferafts.

3. Inflatable Raiding Craft

a. Up to four IRC can be carried, lashed down on the hold hatch.

b. One IRC will be carried onboard at all times being maintained at regular intervals by the NP8901 boats storeman.

c. IRC will only be launched from the ship by use of the ships derrick.

d. All personnel using the IRC from the ship are to wear A.L.J's.

e. Personnel are to transfer from ship to IRC one at a time via the gate on the foredeck and a jumping ladder will be used.

f. When tactically possible the ships foredeck will be illuminated during ship/IRC transfers at night.

4. Accommodation

a. There is one spare cabin onboard with two berths.

b. Up to eighteen personnel can be aoolcated bunks in the ships hold. When over eighteen are carried for a prolonged period of time those not allocated bunks will sleep on the deck of the hold using sleeping mats or camp beds if numbers and stores permit.

5. Victualling

a. Rations

(1) Rations for RM personnel will be supplied by NP8901.

(i) Up to six - fresh rations.

(ii) Up to twenty-five - ten man compo.

(iii) Over twenty-five - 24hour ration packs.

b. Meals

(1) Up to six personnel can be catered for by the ships cook and they will take their meals with the crew.

(2) A chef will be supplied by NP8901 when up to twenty-five personnel are embarked and they will take their meals in relays of up to eight using the crews canteen.

(3) When over twenty-five personnel are embarked they will eat cold 24hour rations in the ships hold, hot drinks being supplied by the ships galley.

6. Stores.

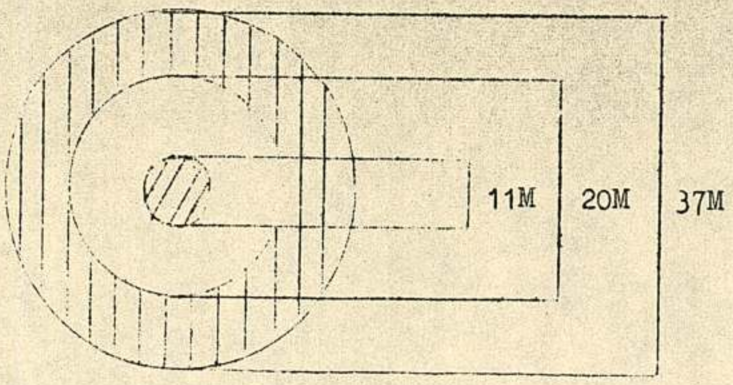
a. All military stores (except 6b) will be carried in the ships hold and where possible lashed down.

b. Detonators are to be secured on deck aft of the bridge.

LZ & DZ MARKING

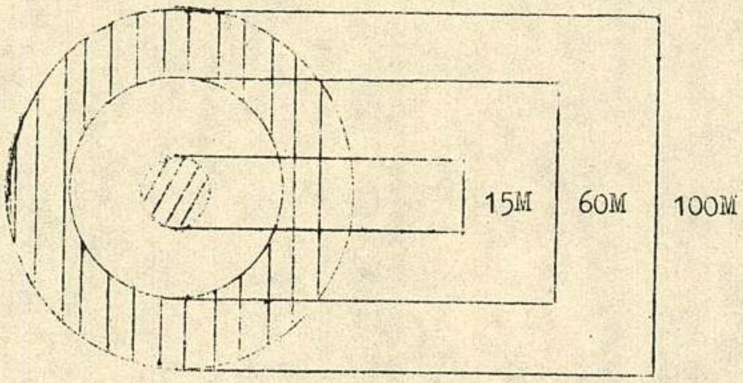
1. HELICOPTER OPERATIONS

a. DAYTIME



(Hard surface should support a laden 4 ton vehicle)

b. NIGHT TIME



KEY ▨ HARD SURFACE ☐ CLEARED TO GROUND LEVEL ▥ FREE OF OBSTRUCTIONS OVER 1 foot HIGH

c. SELECTION OF LP

1. SURFACE Centre of LP should be hard and free from loose material.

2. SLOPE Not more than 7° for landing and 25° for hover.

3. APPROACH + EXIT As free from obstructions as possible e.g. telegraph wires etc.

d. DAYTIME MARKING

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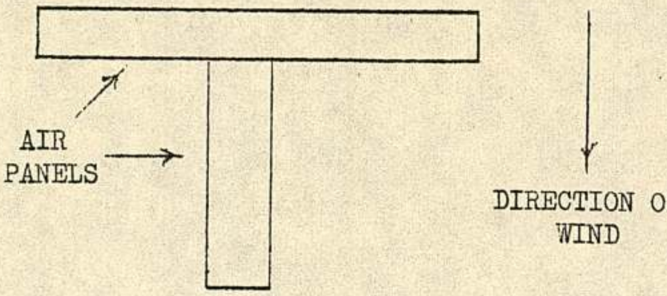
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e. NIGHTIME MARKINGS

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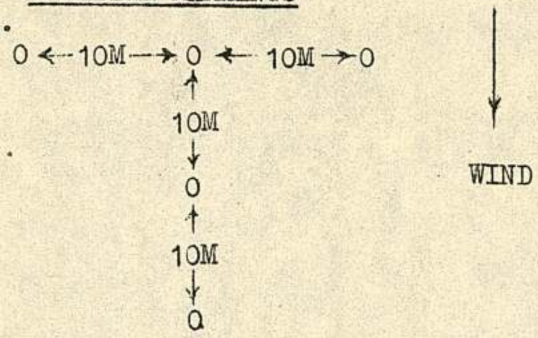
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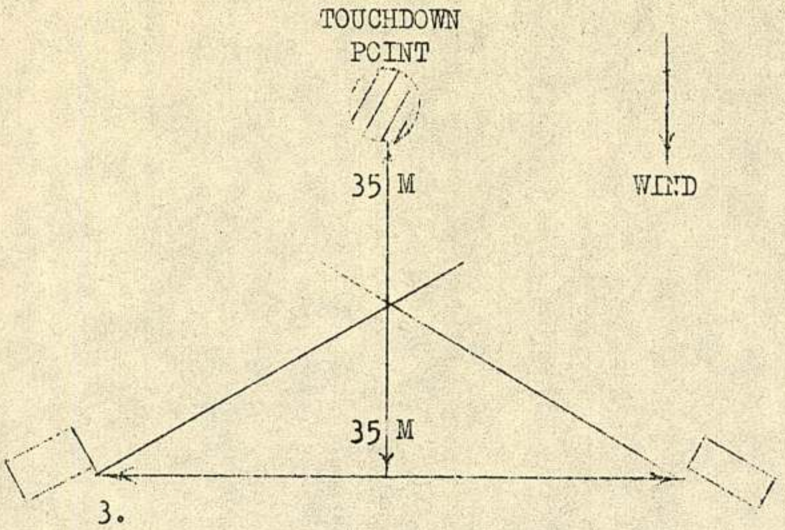
5 torches used must be secured to the ground.

2. CROSSED HEADLIGHTS



3.

a. Vehicles must be landrovers (never 4 ton) parked with undipped headlights and rear lights on.

b. Troops are to wait at least 30M to right of touchdown point.

f. FIXED WING AIRCRAFT

1. BEAVER FLOAT PLANES

a. At least 1000M of unobstructed water, (including reefs).

b. Must be into wind.

c. There must be either

1. Jetty available for plane to come alongside at all states of the tide.

2. Boat available to go out to aircraft.

3. Shallow enough water for personnel to wade out to aircraft.

4. Remember that when a Beaver lands it must stop its engine and is then not manouverable at all.

g. OTHER LIGHT AIRCRAFT

1. LANDING STRIP

a. At least 500M of flat firm unobstructed ground.

b. Must be into wind.

h. AIR DROPS

1. MARKING

a. A cross laid out on ground using air panels or white tape.

b. Firm ground.

NAVAL PARTY 8901 - INSTRUCTIONS FOR OPENING FIRE

1. These instructions are for the guidance of NCOs and Marines operating collectively or individually. When troops are operating collectively Marines will only open fire when ordered to do so be the commander on the spot.

2. These instructions cover two eventualities:

a. Small scale operations against terrorists.

b. An invasion.

SMALL SCALE OPERATIONS AGAINST TERRORISTS

3. Specific orders for opening fire will be given by the OCRM to meet the particular circumstances at the time and will depend on the threat.

4. General Rules

a. Never use more force than the minimum necessary to enable you to achieve your objective.

b. If you use firearms you should do so with care for the safety of persons, other that terrorists, in the locality.

c. Always first try to handle the situation by other means than opening fire. If you have to fire:

(1) Fire only aimed shots.

(2) Do not fire more rounds than are absolutely necessary to achieve your aim.

d. Use of Automatic Fire. Automatic fire may be used against identified targets in the same circumstances as single shots if, in the opinion of the Commander on the spot, it is the minimum force required and no other weapon can be employed as effectively. Because automatic fire scatters it is not to be used where persons not using firearms are, or may be, close to the line of fire.

e. No magazine/belt of live ammunition is to be fitted to the weapon unless you are ordered to do so by the OCRM. Unless you are ordered to open fire no live round is to be carried in the breach and the working parts must be forward.

5. Warning before firing

a. You will be required wherever practical to issue a warning before opening fire. The warning should be as loud as possible and it must:

(1) Give clear orders to stop attacking or to halt, as appropriate.

(2) Be repeated three times in English and Spanish allowing sufficient time for a reaction between each call.

(3) On the thied call state that fire will be opened if the orders are not obeyed. Example:

(a) First two calls:

HALT - HANDS UP	-	ALTO-ARRIBA LOS MANOS

(b) Third call:

HALT OR I WILL OPEN FIRE	-	ALTO O DISPARARE

b. You may fire without warning only in circumstances where the giving of a warning or any delay in firing would lead to death or serious injury to a person whom it is your duty to protect, or to yourself, or to another member of the security forces.

c. Under NO circumstances other than those envisaged in paragraph 5b above are you to open fire without warning unless you receive orders to that effect from the OCRM. These orders will be specific.

6. Opening Fire

After due warning (see paragraph 5) you may open fire:

a. Against a person carrying what you can positively identify as a firearm*, but only if you have reasons to believe that he is about to use it for offensive purposes and he refuses to halt when called upon to do so, and there is no other way of stopping him.

b. Against a person attacking or destroying property or stealing firearms or explosives if his action is likely to endanger life.

c. Against a person who, though he is not at present attacking has in your sight killed or seriously injured a member of the security forces or a person whom it is your duty to protect and not halted when called upon to do so and cannot be arrested by any other means.

d. If there is no other way to protect yourself or those whom it is your duty to protect from the danger of being killed or seriously injured.

AN INVASION

7. Orders for opening fire will be issued by the OCRM at the time.

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* Firearms include a grenade, nail bomb or gelignite type bomb.